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Pact stops move for early elections

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The Labor Party campaign for early elections (CJN May 21) suffered a virtual death blow last week as a long-sought accord between the Shas Party and the Likud Party was signed in the Prime Minister's office. Labor wants an election because it can't get sufficient support in cabinet for an international peace conference.

Under the terms of agreement between Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's Likud and Shas, the Likud has undertaken to legislate within 60 days an amendment to the 1927 Religion Conversion Ordinance, to provide that all conversions carried out abroad must be approved by the Chief Rabbinate in Israel to be valid here.

In exchange, Shas promised to oppose early elections sought by Labor in order to obtain a mandate for Israel's participation in an international peace conference. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and the Likud are blocking such a move by the national unity government.

With Shas's return to the Likud fold, and Shinui MK Zaldan Atsche's adamant refusal to support early elections, the Likud now has 62 votes pledged to oppose Labor's drive.

However, in order to amend the religious conversion ordinance Likud can count on the support of no more than 55 MKs: Likud's 41, NRP's 5, Shas's 4, Agudat Yisrael's 2, three of Tehiya's five and MKs Aharon Abu-Atzeira, Meir Kahane and Avraham Verdiger. Verdiger is expected to present the motion to the Knesset.

The dim prospects of such Likud success in the 60-day time limit prompted Labor's secretary-general Uzi Baram to change the party's timetable for early elections from "weeks" to "months." The Likud faces the possibility of another Shas departure from the coalition and a potential agreement with Labor.

If Likud does succeed in amending the conversion law, Shas leader Rabbi Yitzhak Peretz will resume his post at the interior ministry, where he will then be able to legally refuse to register Reform converts as Jews.

Labor ministers, meanwhile, decided to oppose any Likud-Shas agreement on the registration of Reform converts on the grounds that it violated the coalition agreement.

The ministers said after the meeting that the coalition agreement stipulates prior mutual coordination on changes in the status quo on religious affairs. They said the agreement also contradicts the government decision to set up an international committee on Reform conversions.

In another development, the Shinui Party council voted to leave the government and the coalition. The vote was 55 in favor, five opposed and five abstentions.

Outgoing Minister Amnon Rubinstein reiterated the reason for leaving, citing the Likud's thwarting of the peace initiative, the government's inability to function, the "sellout" to the religious parties and the cabinet decision on university fees (see separate story).

The children of Saidye Bronfman (left) sing her praises at a State of Israel Bonds tribute luncheon in Montreal. At podium (from left) are Edgar Bronfman, Phyllis Lambert and Charles Bronfman.

"Just a threat" by Waldheim

No suit yet, says Bronfman

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman said last week Austrian President Kurt Waldheim has not yet launched a slander suit against him and he does not believe Waldheim will ever go ahead with such legal action.

"There is not going to be any lawsuit, it's just a threat. The Austrian government would not allow such a suit," said Bronfman, during a visit to his native Montreal.

Nevertheless, the WJC leader said in a brief interview he is prepared to go head-to-head with Waldheim in court should he be wrong in his assessment of the situation. He admits to some hesitation, though.

"I'm of two minds about the whole thing. I'd love to show up Waldheim for what he is, but I think it is time to put aside this thing. It's time to get on with the job of reconciliation between the Jewish people and Austria."

There have been press reports that Waldheim is suing Bronfman for the latter's remarks that the Austrian president was "part and parcel of the Nazi killing machine" and that Waldheim's lying about his past made it "almost a crime against humanity to have anything to do with (him) as an individual." (CJN, May 14)

Bronfman was in Montreal for a tribute luncheon for his mother Saidye, in benefit of State of Israel Bonds. The affair, held at the Ritz Carlton Hotel, was a rare occasion when the three surviving children of Sam and Saidye Bronfman — Edgar, Charles and Phyllis Lambert — have been seen in public together. Another daughter, Minda, passed away in 1985.

The highlight of the luncheon was, arguably, the sight and sound of the three siblings gathered around the podium singing — very off-key — the praises of their mother, who turned 90 in December.

Governor-General Jeanne Sauve was the guest of honor among the more than 200 persons who attended the luncheon, where Mrs. Bronfman was presented with the Golda Meir Award by Bonds' Women's Division. Shulamit Gur-Arieh, wife of Israel's ambassador to Canada, and Gen. Yehudah Halevy, president and chief executive officer of the worldwide State of Israel Bonds Organization, were also seated at the head table.

Charles Bronfman, the guest speaker, gave his endorsement to Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres' promotion of an international Middle East peace conference. "I pray with all my heart that this initiative will bear fruit," said Bronfman.

Bronfman said such a conference could serve as an "umbrella for direct negotiations" between Israel and Arab states that may be looking for a "face-saving device."

The result could be peace between Israel and Jordan, and possibly Syria, too, he said.

Bronfman, who described Peres as Israel's "former and future Prime Minister," said Peres has made an "astonishing" contribution to the Middle East peace process over the past two years, particularly in his ability to get

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Universities challenge govt.

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — In a stinging rejection of government policy, Israel's universities announced last week that they would ignore the cabinet's controversial decision to impose a 2-tier system of tuition fees.

The announcement, which came after a meeting in Jerusalem of university heads, was seen as a declaration of open support for students who have been campaigning against the policy.

But the university chiefs also decided to set fees at over $1,600 for all students next year — far higher than the $800 level students had sought.

The cabinet decided recently that students who do not serve in the Israel Army — which means nearly all Arabs — would pay a tuition fee of $1,550, while those who did serve would pay $500 less.

Student leaders, both Jewish and Arab, immediately labeled the new regulations as racist and launched a protest campaign against them.

The cabinet ruling was condemned by academics, top scientists and Education Minister Yitzhak Navon.

After the meeting of the Committee of University Heads, their chairman, Weizmann Institute President Aryeh Dvoretsky said: "We completely reject all attempts to differentiate between students on the matter of tuition fees.

"We will not impose different fees. All students will pay the same."

Sources in the committee said the university chiefs had been angered by what most of them regarded as "blatant discrimination." It was pointed out that the new policy would not only penalize Arab students but also others, such as people with physical handicaps, who could not serve in the army.

The universities legally have the power to set their own fees. But in recent years the level of fees has in fact been determined by the government, due to the universities' dependence on state aid.

Dvoretsky said that the government's decision to set the average fee at $1,050 and the "minority" fee at $1,550 was insufficient to finance the universities in the coming year.

He went on: "If the government does not come to our aid, then we will be forced to fix tuition independently around the figure of $1,680. The opening of the next academic year depends on this."

"East Coast lobby" blamed

VIENNA — A leading Austrian newsweekly has reported that President Kurt Waldheim blames "a lobby on the East Coast of America" for influencing the U.S. justice department to ban him from entry into the United States.

According to the magazine, Profil, Waldheim made the charge, seen here as a veiled allusion to influential American Jews, in a speech he delivered recently to a small gathering of Austrian war veterans.

Waldheim was placed in the justice department's "watch list" of inadmissible foreigners because of evidence of his complicity in Nazi atrocities in the Balkans in World War II.

Meanwhile, U.S. justice department officials presented to Austrian Justice Minister Egmont Foregger the documents that led to Waldheim's ban from the United States.

U.S. ambassador to Austria Ronald Lauder said the "extraordinary and unprecedented" action of explaining a U.S. internal decision was taken at Vienna's request.

A senior U.S. justice department official said in Los Angeles that the decision to bar Waldheim was an important "symbolic gesture."

Deputy attorney-general Arnold Burns told the legal division of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai

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Sale of F-15s deferred

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Reagan Administration has announced that it is postponing the sale to Saudi Arabia of some 60 F-15 fighter planes.

Apparently the administration did not consider the time propitious now in the wake of the refusal of two Saudi F-15 pilots to force down the Iraqi jet that attacked the U.S. missile frigate Stark in the Persian Gulf.

The administration explained that the pilots did not have time to get permission from their ground control before the Iraqi plane returned to its base.

State department spokesman Charles Redman said that the administration plans to go through with the sale, noting that there is no "prearranged plan" for the Saudis to aid American ships in the Gulf.

CZF will begin mailing ballots

MONTREAL — The Canadian Zionist Federation plans to mail out ballots by June to those eligible to vote for Canadian representation at the 31st Zionist Congress. Completed ballots are to be returned to the CZF headquarters in Montreal by July 12.

CZF executive director Meyer Krentzman said it is expected that about 65,000 ballots will be sent out across Canada. The final list of eligible voters — either members of recognized Zionist groups or members-at-large of the CZF — will be ready by the end of this month.

If a postal strike is called, the mailing of the ballots will either be delayed or, if called after they have been sent out, the deadline for the return of ballots will be extended accordingly, he said.

The CZF is also considering the possibility of postponing the election until the beginning of September if a lengthy strike seems inevitable, said Krentzman. World Zionist Organization rules stipulate that the returns of the election must be in no later than six weeks before the opening of the congress. The congress is scheduled to begin Dec. 7 in Jerusalem.

The Letter Carriers Union has threatened to go on strike in mid-June.

World-National

Stein shared her people's common fate

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

During his recent visit to Germany Pope John Paul announced that Sister Teresa Benedicta was henceforth "beautiful." This act declares a person eternally happy in heaven (the Latin beatus/beata means happy) and therefore worthy of special respect and admiration. Beatification is usually the result of a long inquiry into the candidate's life (in Sister Teresa's case 25 years) and is likely to end in sanctification, making the person a saint, worthy of adoration.

Rabbi Plaut

Ordinarily the Pope's declaration would remain an internal Christian matter, were it not for the fact that Sister Teresa was born into an observant Jewish home in Breslau (now Polish Wroclaw) as Edith Stein, had converted to Catholicism and was gassed by the Nazis at Auschwitz. She died, said the Pope, as both "a Christian and a Jew." This remark upset many Jews, and especially so in Germany. They held that the beatified nun, while a Christian in her belief at the time of her death, died only because she was born a Jew and for no other reason. The Pope had downplayed her Jewishness, said the critics.

Turned atheist

Who was Edith Stein, now on her way to become a Christian saint? Born in 1891 she turned atheist as a young person, studied philosophy under Edmund Husserl, became enchanted with his teaching of Phenomenology and emerged a well known philosopher in her own right. Her reading of Thomas Aquinas sent her on the way to Catholicism and her writings dealt henceforth with religious philosophy. They were widely quoted, and when the Nazis stepped up their persecution of "racial Jews" subsequent to Crystal Night in 1938, Edith Stein, now known as Sister Teresa, was sent across the border to Holland, to a Carmelite convent in Echt.

In the summer of 1942, with the Germans in control of Holland and spreading their net to catch all Jews, the Dutch Catholic bishop issued a public condemnation of anti-semitism. As a reprisal, the Nazis arrested all "non-Aryan" priests and nuns in the country and shipped them to Auschwitz. Sister Teresa was among them and entered the gas chamber a few weeks later. Survivors told of her steadfastness and faith, of her encouragement of the condemned, and these stories enhanced the belief that "she died a Christian martyr."

Upset Jews

It is precisely this emphasis which has upset many Jews who feel that such a way of describing her death masks the racial mania of Hitler, directed so uniquely against persons of Jewish descent. **Sister Teresa was not murdered because she was a Christian or a saint, but because she was a born Jew, and for no other reason.**

Jewish tradition says that once you are a Jew you will always be one. This principle led to the famous controversy over Brother Daniel who was born as Oswald Rufeisen, a Jew, and who came to settle in Israel as a Christian brother. Was he still Jewish? On this score the rabbinic authorities disagreed with the Israeli Supreme Court, and no doubt the same disagreement would be attached to Edith Stein/Sister Teresa.

What is important for everyone to understand is that Jews died at the hands of the Nazis regardless of their faith or the absence of faith. Edith Stein had been born into the community of our people and in the end shared its common fate. No papal declaration must downplay this historic reality.

Moves to pursue peace parley

Americans endorse Peres' efforts

By
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WASHINGTON —

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres wound up his meetings with Secretary of State George Shultz with a firm U.S. endorsement of his efforts to pursue an international peace conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Both Peres and Shultz, who met on May 16-17, insisted that such a diplomatic strategy could lead quickly to direct Israeli-Jordanian negotiations.

They also maintained in their public statement that the full plenary participants would not be able to veto or impede any bilateral agreements.

But U.S. and Israeli officials agreed that the ball was currently in the Israeli court, given the political deadlock in Jerusalem over an international conference.

Aides to Peres insisted that there was no significant difference of opinion between the foreign minister and Shultz. They said that Peres, in his recent efforts to achieve a procedural formula for an international conference, was actually pursuing "the American strategy."

Late May 17 in the evening, Peres met for some 90 minutes with the Soviet ambassador in Washington, Yuri Dubinin. And just after midnight, Peres held a separate meeting here with the visiting president of Portugal, Mario Suarez.

Peres told reporters that the meeting with the Soviet envoy went well. He said Dubinin was very anxious to get his opinion on the latest political development in Jerusalem.

According to the foreign minister, Dubinin restated Soviet General-Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev's position that the absence of diplomatic relations between Israel and the Soviet Union was "abnormal." Gorbachev made that statement last month during a visit to Moscow by Syrian President Hafez al-Assad.

The foreign minister said that the Soviet ambassador's request for the meeting was an indication of the Soviet Union's desire to improve ties with Israel.

During the conversation with Dubinin, Peres restated Israel's position that the Soviet Union could participate in an international conference on the Middle East only if it reestablishes diplomatic relations with Israel and eases the plight of Soviet Jewry.

Shultz, addressing the American Israel Public Affairs Committee last week, was cautious in expressing a willingness to consider an international conference. He was clearly anxious not to give the impression that he was interfering in the dispute over such a conference between Peres and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

But the thrust of his remarks strongly signaled a U.S. tilt in favor of Peres' stance. "The United States believes it is important to explore all possible approaches to this objective, to see whether any of these approaches, including an international conference, would lead immediately to direct negotiations," Shultz said.

In the course of his speech, Shultz also reaffirmed support for President Ronald Reagan's Sept. 1, 1982 Arab-Israeli peace initiative which Israel rejects. Shultz said the U.S. has its "own positions" and "we will state them in the same spirit in which we have worked with Israel for many years."

The secretary, who received a rousing standing ovation from the 1,500 American Jewish political activists in the audience both before and after his speech, rejected any participation of the PLO at an international conference.

"Look at what they've just done,' he declared. "Their alliance involves the most violent and radical elements around, and they just put it together again. They showed once again that they don't want peace; they want the destruction of Israel, so they're not qualified."

But Shultz said that there should be Palestinians in the Jordanian delegation. "They have to be part of peacemaking. There are Palestinians who know that the only answer is through a non-violent and responsible approach to direct negotiations for peace and justice. We have to continue to find them, help them, and support them."

Regarding the Soviet attitude, Shultz said there had been some "interesting developments recently," but he rejected the notion that the Soviets already had presented a "constructive presence."

"Look what they do," he said, referring to the Soviets. "They encourage the PLO to turn ever more radical and rejectionist. They align themselves with the worst terrorists and tyrants in the region. They refuse to reestablish diplomatic recognition to Israel. Their treatment of Jews and the practice of the Jewish religion in the Soviet Union is not acceptable by any standard, let alone the Universal Declaration on Human Rights and the Helsinki Final Act, to which they are bound by their own signature."

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Peres and his aides predicted that the Knesset, sooner rather than later, would have no choice but to vote for early national elections.

The foreign minister, during a briefing for reporters at the Grand Hotel in Washington, said he had been rather surprised by the angry reaction of Shamir to an international conference. "I was surprised by the extremism of his views," he said, insisting that he had been working on the issue for some two years.

Early elections

Peres cited his October 1985 address before the UN General Assembly during which he endorsed the concept of an international "forum" which could lead to direct negotiations.

Peres said he was confident of 58 and perhaps 59 votes right now in the Knesset in favor of early elections.

His aides suggested that the Knesset would have no choice but to enact the necessary legislation for new elections within a month.

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Well-informed officials here believe that the political crisis in Israel has effectively brought the U.S.-sponsored drive to promote the Arab-Israeli peace process to a standstill.

U.S. officials suggested that Peres, in the short-term, may have overplayed his political card. The foreign minister has not yet been able to win a simple Knesset majority needed for early national elections, they said.

American analysts suspect that Peres may have erred by not including Likud leaders more actively in his behind-the-scenes diplomacy that led to a signed document with King Hussein.

They also think it was a mistake for both Jordan and Egypt to deliberately avoid any serious contact with Shamir and other Likud leaders. The Americans understand Jordanian and Egyptian affinity toward Labor, but they insist that some "reaching out" to Likud is essential for any viable peace process to get off the ground.

"You can't make peace with only half of Israel," one American analyst said.

Why no "manizing" scandals featuring political women?

By
ELLEN GOODMAN

BOSTON —

A self-appointed watchdog of sexist language and literature called last week in especially high dudgeon. This person, mind you, has made an avocation of catching every missing pronoun. Use the word "he" when you mean "he and she" and this committee of one is ready with the genderless judgment: Get the unisex cuffs.

Today he/she (we will keep this androgynous) said that I was on his/her blacklist. I had blown years of credits by the use of the word "womanize." Even worse, I had written about politicians' penchant for pecadillos in the exclusively he-man vernacular. I had listed the charges against FDR, Ike, JFK, Gary Hart — where are the charges against women?

Not a bad question. But I don't think it's a matter of semantics, or a sexist plot to discriminate against (in favor of?) women.

There just isn't a good gender-free equivalent for the word "womanizing." Wordsmith Bill Safire recently went through an entire Rolodex of alternative — seductress, hominizer, humanizer, man-eater — before settling on philanderer and suggesting that when a woman runs for the presidency she can say, "I'm not a philanderer." But philanderer just doesn't have the same juice.

Maybe, in the end, there isn't a fitting verb because there isn't the female activity — at least at the same high political level. The women who historically have garnered reputations for frivolous and varied sexual behavior — Catherine the Great, Elizabeth I — don't have to worry about getting elected.

More recently, the political women who've been damaged by the men in their lives followed more traditional patterns. Bess Myerson's troubles in New York could be traced in part to choosing Mr. Wrong. Peggy Heckler suffered because of a divorce proceeding in which she was pegged as Mrs. Cold. As for Geraldine Ferraro's woes, I give you the words at a recent political roast uttered by Gloria Steinem: "What has the women's movement learned from her candidacy for vice-president? Never get married."

Why haven't there been any "manizing" scandals about political women? Theories range from woman's nature to her nurture. Ruth Mandell, of the Center for the American Woman in Politics, speculates that political women are still in the pioneer stage, and pioneers may be "less willing to take risks in what is already a very sensitive situation. It's not that I've never heard of women having an affair, but they tend to be very, very cautious."

The cliche of "womanizing," Mandell adds, conjures up the image of the older, powerful man and young attractive women: "He's admiring her for looks; she's admiring him for power." There are very few images in society at large, let alone in rarefied politics, of older, powerful women and young attractive men. Male power may be the great aphrodisiac to women, but it doesn't seem to work in reverse.

Ethel Klein, a political scientist at Columbia University, suggests that, "Women in general grow up associating sex with danger, long before they even get into politics. We're brought up to understand that we're very vulnerable." Vulnerable in terms of pregnancy, even rape, and certainly in terms of the double standard of society. Prof. Klein also doesn't think many high-status women wish to prove it in the bedroom: "I don't think that getting men on their backs is the way most women feel powerful."

I couldn't find anyone, not even myself, who would argue the higher innate morality of women in politics. "I don't want it to seem like women aren't subject to flattery and temptation," says Mandell. We may be dealing not only with pioneers, but a first wave who put their personal life on hold — women who had to be twice as virtuous and who've always felt watched.

If that's true, it may just be a matter of time until we catch up. Or catch down. The gender gap in womanizing — the word and the deed — may come down to numbers. "I think we just have too small a sample," says Kathy Bonk, of the National Organization for Women's Legal Defence Fund. It's hard to know how women in high office will behave when, she says, "all you have to go on is about 26 people's behavior."

When more women get to high political power, will they be different? Will we have equal ratios of manizers among the crowd? "This is the $64 million dollar question," says Bonk, asking with a touch of irony. "Will we know women have made it when we have our first scandal?"

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Protest for Soviet Jewry caps Network convention

Students are urged to become future leaders

By
MARK DODICK

MISSISSUAGA —
At the end, a trio of balloons — two red, one white — sailed up into overcast skies among circling birds and a passing airplane. Below, a group of students danced a hora in the drizzle singing Am Yisroel Chai.

The three message bearers carrying the name of a Refusenik followed a larger flurry of many, many others that rose up into heavy, rain-laden clouds and floated away.

The balloon release was the parting gesture of defiance and hope by students attending the Jewish Students' Network-Canada national convention at the Novotel Hotel in this city just west of Toronto. It was done on behalf of Jews who have not been released from the Soviet Union.

The protest capped a 5-day marathon of lectures, workshops, task force meetings, elections, panel discussions, displays, slide and video shows, and entertainment over the Victoria Day weekend.

It drew more than 330 students from across the country, uniting the West, David Eden studying at the University of Victoria, with the East, Michael Gisser studying at Dalhousie in Halifax, with everyone in between. (Greetings were also brought by Ayall Schanzer, chairman of Network-U.S.A., and several American students attended.)

And at a time when the community is extremely divided, it brought together students of every political and religious background.

It also brought the deputy prime minister of Israel David Levy (despite persistent rumors the government would fall), to deliver for the first time to a student convention in North America, an address on Israel Today and Tomorrow.

Though Levy's appearance was the centrepiece of the convention, many other special guests contributed to an intense learning experience for the students who were urged repeatedly to become the future leaders of the Jewish community.

Among those many speakers were: Eli Rosenbaum, general counsel to the World Jewish Congress, on Waldheim The Inside Story; Israel's ambassador to Canada, Israel Gur-Arieh, on Israel and the Balance in the Middle East; and Rabbi Abraham Cooper, associate dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre in Los Angeles, on Will Gorbachev Cut a Deal?

The convention, titled Days of Future Past, was thematically organized around three questions participants were asked to consider: Where have we come from? Who are we today? Where are we going?

"Thirty-nine years ago tonight (Thursday May 14), Ben-Gurion declared the State of Israel," said John Rothmann, former United States presidential aide and foreign policy consultant in his opening charge to the convention.

"What would happen 39 years from now if we were together here? What kind of Jews would we be? That is the challenge; let's begin."

"We live in the age of forgetting," said Rabbi Robert Kaplan, Hillel director in New York City and a cults exit counselor, in his opening charge.

"If you leave behind the past, I can guarantee you one thing. There will be no future. You have a responsibility to create a world where a Jew can feel proud. We have an obligation to Torah, to God and to the Jewish people."

And before they closed their convention, the students heard in a closing charge from human rights activist and former president of Canadian Jewish Congress Irwin Cotler that they bear additional responsibilities.

"In times such as these, 'qui s'excuse, s'accuse' — whoever remains indifferent indicts himself."

Cotler reminded the delegates that they are compelled to avoid the "crime of indifference," that they must make Jewish rights part of the larger goal of human rights.

But the international agenda (including protection for refugees, an end to apartheid, and arms control), he said, must also be seen as part of the Jewish agenda.

Convention chairman Leora Silver with former U.S. presidential aide John Rothmann. [Mark Dodick photo]

U.S. department of defence Mideast analyst Harold Rhode points to a map while explaining the Arab viewpoint. [Mark Dodick photo]

Creating ruach

Between the opening and closing addresses, the students tried hard to fulfil their mandate by electing regional and task force chairpersons; and attending learning and planning sessions on oppressed Jewry, Israel, cults and missionaries, and on many other current issues.

Of 17 resolutions brought to the business plenum, 13 were approved.

Among those accepted, were proposals to send student delegations to the USSR pending study and community consultation; creating a resource caravan on cults and missionaries to tour the country; and that Network's next Ottawa lobby day focus on the issue of Nazi war criminals.

A resolution urging Canada to link trade to improvements in the USSR's human rights policy was tabled and returned to the national executive for further discussion.

Throughout the convention, special emphasis was placed on the plight of Soviet Jews, caught between the optimism of glasnost and harsher realities.

At each meal a profile of a Refusenik family was read; petitions were signed; a letter writing campaign started; and a protest held.

But twice, attempted phone calls to Moscow Refusenik Boris Klotz and his family failed to go through.

Though he had been contacted at the listing only a few days before, the operator insisted Klotz could not be reached.

However, they did manage to speak with Refusenik Lev Elbert who discounted glasnost and called for continued pressure from the West.

Though much of the convention was spent in serious pursuits, hoarse, morning voices attested to late night revelry. Planned entertainment included a comedy act, an Israeli casino, and The Wild Ones playing 50s and 60s rock 'n' roll.

When a fire alarm accidentally went off early one morning, many of the awakened students capitalized on the occasion by playing guitar and singing songs as they waited outside the hotel.

Rating the event as a whole, convention chairman Leora Silver and Network-Canada chairman Mike Zeldman agreed it had been a success in transmitting knowledge and creating ruach (spirit).

Network's immediate goal now, said Zeldman, is to increase grassroots involvement on smaller campuses across the country.

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Excerpts from some sessions at the Network convention attended by The CJN follow. As it is against CJN policy to cover Saturday events, they are not included in this summary.

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At a session analyzing Israel's Arab neighbors, Dr. Harold Rhode, an advisor on Mideast affairs in the U.S. department of defense, denied that Islamic fundamentalism exists.

Speaking in a private capacity, Rhode told a plenary session that Islam is a "political identity, a brotherhood, not a religion, but a people with a certain religious identity."

And fundamentalism, he stressed, is a reassertion of the Muslim political identity, an effort to clean up outside influences. That is the main aim of their agenda, said Rhode, not hatred of Israel and the U.S.

In the Mideast, he continued, form is more important than substance.

When Arabs reverse themselves in a manner the West considers deceitful, they are not engaging in lying, he emphasized, "but doing things the way they understand the world."

However, what the Islamic countries respect, said Rhode, is power, and "we must make them respect us and unfortunately that means using power."

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Calling Kurt Waldheim a man not fit to breathe the air of Holocaust survivors or walk the ground of veterans, Eli Rosenbaum, general counsel to the World Jewish Congress, gave students an analysis of events surrounding the uncovering of Austria's tainted president.

Waldheim is "the Maytag repairman of international politics; the loneliest guy on the planet," said Rosenbaum.

From the time of Waldheim's election and continuing today, anti-semitism in Austria has become more blatant and overt.

The lessons of the Waldheim experience, he said, are that Western Europe must be watched much more closely; and the media must be watched more closely.

The Austrian press had "embarked on a conspiracy of silence," on Waldheim, and went so far as to invent stories to discredit his critics.

You can't be quiet and hope that evil will go away, said Rosenbaum.

"The world wants to forget. They want to forget because the memory of the Holocaust makes them feel bad.

"The problem is not so much Kurt Waldheim; it's Waldheimism...that is why it is the obligation of the Jewish community worldwide to be the world's conscience."

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"We know that in order to live in the Middle East one must be ready for sacrifices and carry a very big stick," said Israel's ambassador to Canada, Israel Gur-Arieh.

Israel has accomplished much during the period of the coalition government, including establishing diplomatic relations with Spain and consolidating peace with Egypt, the ambassador said.

"Unfortunately, the Palestinians maintain the same rejectionist policy they always have and this is a tragedy...their leaders have rejected every possible dialogue with Israel."

Both parties in Israel regardless of their approach, said Gur-Arieh, want peace — it is a matter of national consensus.

But besides its desire to achieve peace, Israel also still needs to develop its economy. It requires investment from Jews in the Diaspora to attain greater self-sufficiency, he stressed.

And, said Gur-Arieh, Israel needs young, committed, well educated Jews. "Who if not you, the committed young generation, can do it?"

Network convention students assemble for a protest on behalf of Soviet Jews. The balloons bear tags with names of Refuseniks.

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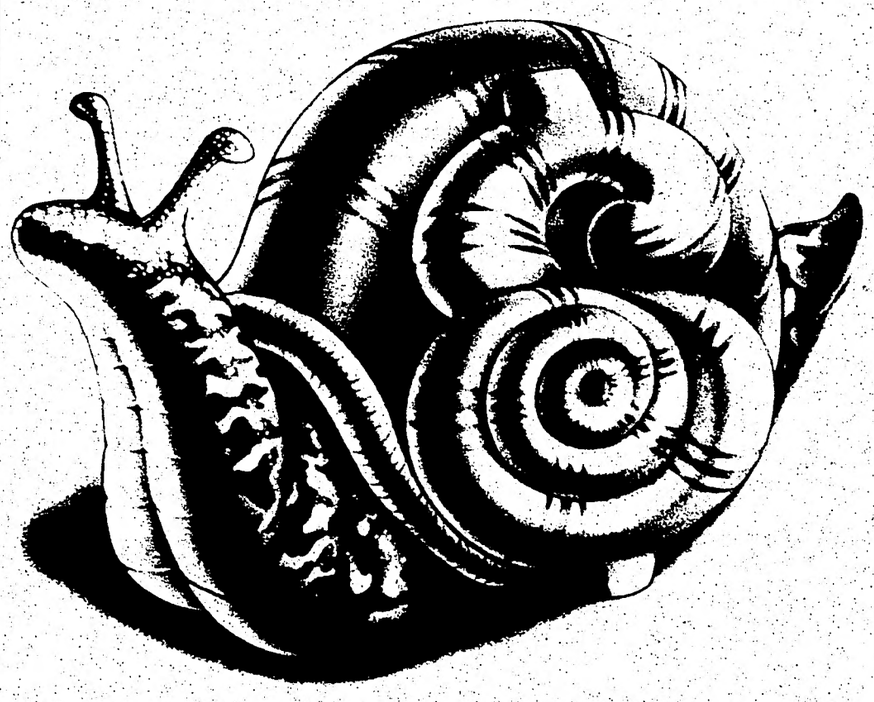

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: On Shavuoth, we shall be reading the commandment: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. . . ." At how many minutes after sunset on Saturday night is the Sabbath over? Shall we wait 40 minutes, 45 minutes, or 50 minutes?

Rabbi Burak

You sound like a census taker. Are there no shuls that wait longer? Rabbainu Tam required a wait of 72 minutes. Other scholars wanted us to wait 96 minutes. Don't you know about them?

The Gaon, Rabbi Moshe Feinstein z.l., in his Igros Moshe, O.H. part 4 (Bnei Brak, 5741) responsum 62, discusses the time of sunset and the arrival of the stars on Saturday night. On page 94 of that volume he gives us this statement: "According to what I have heard, it's this way in most American cities, that 50 minutes after sunset, the whole sky is full of stars, and the sky is as dark as in the middle of the night. . . ."

Many people have grabbed hold of this statement. They find it a great boon, and a blessing. But, they overlook the fact that Reb Moshe z.l. on the very same page that he made this statement, repeats this caution three times: the law requires us to wait longer, "and of course, bnei Torah and those who fear Hashem Yisborach ought to wait 72 minutes as was the custom in Europe."

In halacha, you follow your authority **all the way.** "We follow Beth Hillel in their relaxed rulings, and in their strict rulings." You may not extrapolate the 50-minute figure which Reb Moshe z.l. has given, the figures you like so much, and forget his demand for a higher standard for bnei Torah and for those who fear Hashem Yisborach. To which category do you belong? Are you a ben Torah, or, an am ha-arets?

Reb Moshe z.l. who usually goes to the primary sources, and rarely has any use for secondary and tertiary sources, has turned to an unnamed source for the report that "in most American cities" . . . 50 minutes after sunset the sky is as dark as in the middle of the night. I wish one could examine the man who gave him this incorrect advice.

I have before me volume 44 of the American Jewish Year Book covering the year 5703, 1942-1943. The calendar there is the work of Dr. Julius H. Greenstone z.l. There is a page that reads: Time of Sunrise and Sunset in Six Northern Latitudes. Here is what he has for Latitude 44 degrees North, for Maine, Northern New York, and may I add that this fits Toronto, too. "May 20, Sunset 7.26, Twilight Ends 9.37." Need I say more.

That's a lot more than 72 minutes or even 96 minutes after sunset. Where did the learned Dr. Greenstone get those figures? Information comes from many sources. We didn't understand this when we were youngsters studying at Ner Israel, in Baltimore. . . .

My boyhood chum at the yeshiva, Rabbi Shmuel Yosef (Tex) Labkovsky told us this: Someone said to his father, the rav of Dallas, "Rebbe in welchen . . . Rabbi, in which chumash, siddur or machzor did you discover this law?" We laughed and laughed at the assumption of that simple soul who thought rulings in Jewish law could be found in a siddur.

We didn't know at that time of the riches abounding in Reb Yaakov Emden's siddur. Well, in the recently reprinted Berdichev Siddur, in an intro on the subject of the number of minutes after sunset, on pages 10 and 11, we are told that Polish Jews took it upon themselves to wait till 72 minutes after sunset on Saturday. We must wait till the sun is 18 degrees beneath the horizon.

Well now, when is it at that position for the Toronto area? The Royal Astronomical Society published this answer: for May 20, twilight ends at 21:33 plus 18 minutes Standard Time. The Brisker Dynasty in Israel waits a full two hours after sunset. They are right on.

Cites international forum dangers

Levy urges direct peace talks

By
MARK DODICK

MISSISSAUGUA — Direct negotiations without preconditions were reaffirmed by Israel's deputy prime minister recently as the only way for Israel to achieve peace with her Arab neighbors.

Speaking through simultaneous translation to the Network-Canada national convention in this city just west of Toronto, David Levy repeated the government's position that only by these means could peace be realized.

"We say to the Jordanians: 'No preconditions,' in order to make it easy...and everything will be open to negotiation."

Asked what the status of Jerusalem would be in such negotiations, Levy answered: "I had said that our position is direct negotiations with no specific preconditions.

"The feelings and attitudes for Jerusalem are well know, but we say, 'put forward your proposals.' It's like a couple. If there is a couple, there is something and peace will be born."

Levy acknowledged that Israel cannot continue to exist in a state of war, and that the country cannot afford to lose a single war, so "peace is dear to our hearts."

But, he continued, peace can only be attained "if you are strong, if you are wary of mistakes."

In an international forum, as proposed by Shimon Peres not all those who would participate would be as objective as possible, said Levy, who also serves as minister of construction and housing.

Israel would be unable to leave an international forum without being accused that it refuses to make peace. And Israel's relationship with the United States could be jeopardized by an international forum.

The U.S. would be subjected to Soviet pressure to keep Israel in line, and "Israel could face very strong pressures from countries whose positions are wellknown," the leading Sephardic politician said.

"No peace is reached by pressure. Israel will not surrender to pressure on our security or our future. We will not surrender to any pressure, be it from enemies or friends.

"Peace in an indirect way? Israel will not desert the straight way to go through obstacles and minefields.

"And how will Hussein speak to us with the Russians on one side and the Chinese on the other, not to mention the others."

Peace really is the question, said Levy. Do they want it, because if they do, they will sit down and negotiate.

Turning to other matters, Levy said he hoped the coalition government would not break up, but said he did not know if it would. If there is a crisis, he said, the people have the final say.

He then won a round of applause from his student audience by saying he supported Israeli students protesting the government's tuition increases.

Levy called the Jewish students the future of the Jewish community and Israel, and reminded them that Israel needs them to help build "the greatest enterprise in our history since the Diaspora."

David Levy gives his address to the Network-Canada convention. At his right are Mike Zeldman, Network-Canada chairman and Israel's ambassador to Canada, Israel Gur-Arieh.

The Name Game

There's a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont. M3C 3A1.

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FEINBERG

I apologize to Arnold Feinberg, of Halifax, for responding belatedly to his very kind letter, including the suggestion that I publish a book.

He sent me a copy of an interesting article in Shalom, an Atlantic area magazine entitled "The Jewish Name Game," which I deeply appreciate.

The name "Feinberg" has evoked different interpretations from the experts.

One translates it literally from the German — a fine mountain, and compare it with Feinstein (stone) and Feingold (gold).

Another regards Feinberg as an English rendition of Veinberg, since the German "V" is pronounced "F." Veinberg, in turn, was a misspelling of WEINBERG (wine-hill) since the German "W" is pronounced "V."

A third version and most probably the correct one is that it is a place name. There is a WEINSBERG in Germany near HEILBRONN (whence comes the name HALPERN).

Astronaut presents orbiting mezzuzah to Jewish Museum

NEW YORK (JTA) — A mezzuzah that has orbited the earth 109 times came to rest last week at the Jewish Museum here. Astronaut Dr. Jeffrey Hoffman, who took it into space two years ago on the shuttle Discovery, made the presentation of the unearthly mezzuzah to the museum.

Hoffman, an identifying Jew and active member of a synagogue in Houston, Texas, said he "wanted to make this special," referring to the tradition of taking personal possessions into space to be brought back as unusual mementos.

Other astronauts have brought with them flags, school banners and rings, all manner of souvenirs that become touched with a sense of infinity as they pass through the earth's stratosphere and circle the heavens.

"I did something else," said Hoffman, as he presented the handsome mezzuzah to the museum. "Being a Jew and making my first trip into space," Hoffman said he was aware of the Jewish history of traveling, of moving from place to place. He even joked about one day establishing a synagogue in space.

"As we go into space, we carry our civilization and culture with us. Being a Jew is part of that," Hoffman said as he handed over the mezzuzah, mounted on a framed collage of his voyage, which includes a drawing of the Discovery circling the earth, the American flag trailing the craft, its red and white stripes coming around the globe nearly full circle.

The cobalt navy blue ceramic mezzuzah, looking somewhat like a model car, is mounted on the left side of the tableau. Around it runs a Hebrew phrase painted in 23-karat gold: "When I consider the heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and stars which Thou has ordained." The verse is from the Book of Prophets, 8:4.

This is one of the most unusual objects we've ever received," said Joan Rosenbaum, museum director, as she accepted the gift.

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Zaire, Liberia visit set for Shamir in June

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is due to visit Zaire and Liberia, and perhaps a third African country, in June.

Shamir met in Jerusalem last week with visiting Zaire Secretary of Defence Likulia Bolongo.

In meetings with Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Bolongo presented a series of requests for increased Israeli military aid to Zaire.

Shamir told his guest that he would reply to Zaire's request for more aid during his coming visit.

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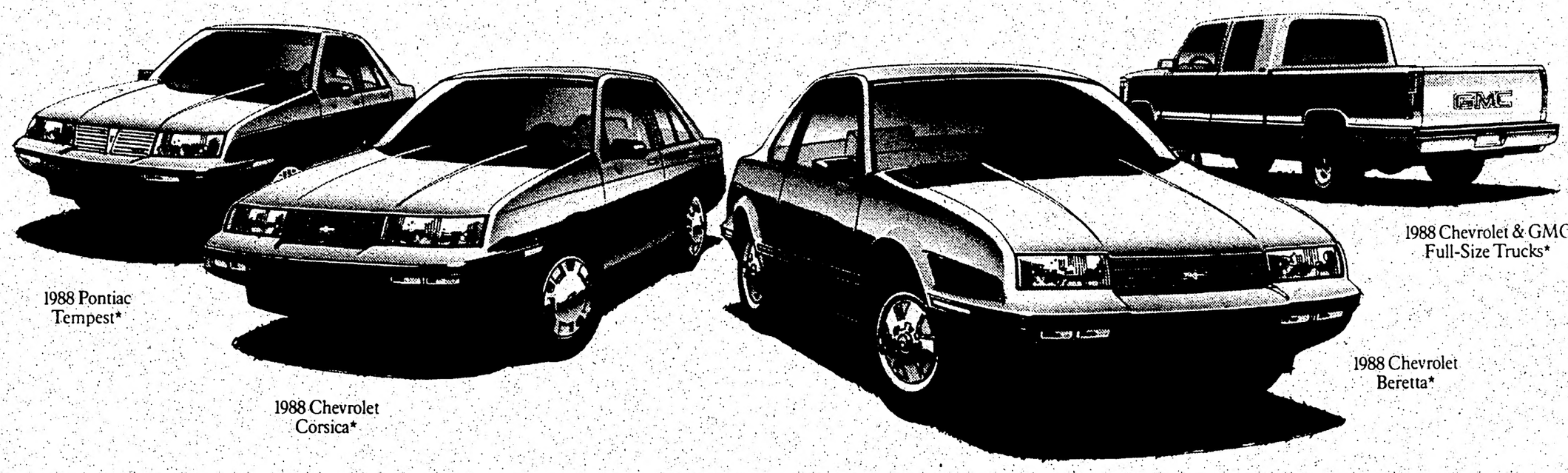

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Support from West sought

Moscow Refusenik women to hold protest day

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —
Jewish Women Against Refusal is planning several special activities and meetings June 1 in Moscow to mark International Child's Day.

Ben Prossin, director of the Committee for Soviet Jewry, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, said that the group — the wives, daughters and mothers of Refuseniks — has asked the West for maximum support and publicity.

"They say they are prepared to receive cables and telephone calls," he said.

"Our committee is urging people to show their solidarity with these women and extend to them all the moral support we can."

(Earlier in the year, JEWAR staged a 3-day hunger strike during which time more than 70 women fasted.)

Prossin said the four scheduled meetings, which are geared to different groups of Refuseniks, will start at 5 p.m. Moscow time. As there is a time difference, people should call between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. EDST. All calls must be placed through the Montreal overseas operator.

The topics and location of the meetings are listed here.

• Families in refusal with children under 16 will meet at the home of Andrey Livshits to discuss the problems of Jewish education and the stress on children. His telephone number is 130-5923. The address is RSFSR, USSR, Moscow 117296, Ul. Molodezhnaya 3, kv. 333.

• Youths who are allowed to apply for an exit visa will meet at the home of Rimma Yakir. Her number is 330-6153. The address is RSFSR, USSR, Moscow 117485, Ul. Profsoyuznaya 96 Korps., kv. 35.

• Parents whose children have already left the Soviet Union and who want to be reunited with them will meet at the home of Yuri Fishkin, whose number is 463-6943. His address is RSFSR, USSR, Moscow 105077, 13 Parkovaya 16/5, apartment 22.

• Refuseniks whose parents have already left the Soviet Union and who want to be reunited with them will meet at the home of Frada and Vladimir Melamed. Their number is 131-4427. The address is RSFSR, USSR, Moscow (postal code unknown), Udaltsova 12, apartment 23.

Health ministry study released

Israel outlaws surrogate motherhood

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —
Surrogate motherhood, made famous by the Baby M case in which a woman was paid to be artificially inseminated, will not be permitted in Israel, according to regulations published by the health ministry last week.

The regulations were signed by Health Minister Shoshana Arbeli-Almoslino following a year of experiments at Hadassah University Hospital in Jerusalem and Sheba Hospital in Tel Hashomer.

During the course of the experiments, human eggs donated by single women were fertilized and then implanted into infertile, married women.

The issue had been under study for many months by officials in the justice and health ministries.

The Baby M case, which occurred in the United States, ended with the "paying" parents being permitted to keep the baby, while the natural mother was granted visiting rights if she presented herself as a "friend of the family."

According to the new regulations in Israel, a woman may not "rent out" her uterus to carry a fetus and then hand it over to another couple.

In addition, a fetus produced by in vitro fertilization may not be implanted in a relative of the donor.

UK rabbinical leaders resolve differences

LONDON (JTA) —
Rabbi Sidney Brichto, a leader of Britain's Liberal and Progressive Synagogues, has withdrawn his criticism of Orthodox Chief Rabbi Sir Immanuel Jakobovits over recent article in which Jakobovits discussed Reform Judaism and the Holocaust (CJN May 21).

Sir Immanuel was accused by Liberal and Reform clergy of depicting the Holocaust as divine retribution for the Jewish Reform movement in 19th century Germany. Brichto said that, following consultations with Jakobovits, he accepted an assurance that the article had been "misunderstood" and both sides reaffirmed their commitment to work for communal harmony and strength.

Rabbi Hugo Gryn, Reform minister of the West London Synagogue, expressed "delight" at the clarification. "The last thing we want is a quarrel over such an issue," he told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

A spokesman for Jakobovits told the JTA earlier that the article in question had been subject to "gross misrepresentation" which the Chief Rabbi accepted was not deliberate.

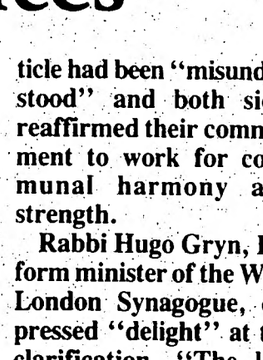
The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

(1) Which Calgary Jewish woman served as chancelor of the University of Calgary?

(2) What event in 1973 triggered an unprecedented solidarity of Canadian Jewry with Israel?

(3) What colorful story of Jewish life in Canada was produced by the joint efforts of an artist, an historian and a publisher?



Edmond Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

(1) Muriel Kovitz.

(2) The outbreak of the Yom Kippur War.

(3) *Jewish Life in Canada* published by Hurtig Publishers was produced by artist William Kurelek and historian Abraham Arnold.

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These questions and answers came from the book *6400 Questions About Judaism and the Jewish People* by Edmond Y. Lipsitz, published by JESL Educational Products, Downsview, Ont. Dr. Lipsitz would be pleased to receive your comments, or to consider your own Jewish quiz questions for inclusion in future columns. Write to him, c/o The Canadian Jewish News.

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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Iyar 28 (May 27) marks the 20th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem. Referred to 656 times in the Bible — including, according to Talmudic sages, under 70 names like City of Peace, City of Truth, and City of Justice — their capital was returned to the long hopeful Jews.

In Genesis 14, the custodian of Jerusalem-Shalem (the city's first mention), recognizes Abraham as the representative of "the supreme God, Master of heaven and earth." The fate of the city and the Jews was bound fast. The site of the Akeda, the near sacrifice of Isaac, beckoned to them in the desert and later in the chaos of settling the Holy Land as the place "I shall choose for My dwelling."

Around 1000 BCE, King David made Jerusalem the capital of the 12 tribes, and brought in the Ark of the Covenant from its own wanderings. His son Solomon built the Temple, an unparalleled site of devotion. Uniquely, it was a universal institution; provision was made for the nations of the world to acknowledge the One True God. The Talmud's rabbis commented that Jerusalem was the nucleus of the world, and that Creation began with Isaac's altar rock, the foundation stone of the Temple's inner sanctum.

Prophets railed

The prophets railed in Jerusalem against injustice, corruption, materialism, worldliness and cynicism. The Jews were forced through the gate of hell — deemed by the rabbis to be situated in Jerusalem along with the gate of heaven — into expulsion. They left with the Psalmist's oath: "If I forget thee, Jerusalem, may my right hand fail and my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth." That oath has never been broken. Jerusalem became the symbol of Divine forgiveness, return and reunification, unique to the Jews.

In synagogues from one end of the world to the other, Jews came to face the site of their former and future glory and beseech God — the "Builder of Jerusalem" — to "gather our exiles from the end of the earth and lead us with exaltation to Zion, Your city . . . Your sanctuary, with everlasting joy." A corner of a home's wall facing Jerusalem was left unfinished. The ark in every synagogue, whether in the Holy Land or the Disapora, was positioned in Jerusalem's direction. Jewish liturgy crystalized around the city's rebuilding.

In the long desolation after the second churban (destruction), Jews braved a gauntlet of conquerers and occupiers to reach their city. Emperor Hadrian, who plowed under most of the city after suppressing Bar Kochba's long bloody revolt against Rome in the year 135, allowed the Jews to enter only on Tisha B'Av and shed their tears on its ruin. Their sadness, however, was lightened by the expectation of Jerusalem's eventual revival.

Given to Jews

The right to pray and weep at the Western Wall — the Temple's physical remnant — was given to Jews throughout the ages, as Jerusalem passed through Roman, Byzantine, Persian, Arab, Turkish and British hands. Many settled in the wall's vicinity; impoverished, they formed the nucleus of the city's 19th century repopulation.

The Old City's occupation by Jordan at the time of the Jewish state's rebirth was for Jews Jerusalem's darkest hour. They were forbidden all entry. "With longing in our hearts and tears in our eyes, we watched from the rooftops" in the western city, Jerusalemite Pinchas Peli wrote in the Jerusalem Post. "We gazed down on the homes in which we were born, the streets in which we grew up, the massive stones of the Wall that were our most faithful friends. But we could not come near them."

The Jordanians destroyed 51 of its 54 synagogues. They desecrated the Mount of Olives, where Jews were buried from as early as the 6th century BCE, and used its tombstones for buildings, roads and latrines. They burned tens of thousands of seforim, prayer books, and Torah scrolls.

Under Jewish sovereignty since 1967, Jerusalem rings freely with the voices of three religions in prayer.

Situation bittersweet: CJC official

Soviet emigration rate doubles

By
WENDY ROSEN

Although there is no figure available for April 18, the closest available date for comparison purposes is April 21, by which time 430 people had left the country.

TORONTO —
Soviet Jewish emigration so far this year has more than doubled the 1986 figure.

Latest statistics show that emigration May 1-May 18 is 504 bringing the annual total to 1,930 compared to 914 in 1986 and 1,139 in 1985.

This means that with 62% of the year remaining, emigration is already 111% more than the 1986 level and only 6% — 123 people — less than the 2-year total for 1985 and 1986.

Ben Prossin, director of the Committee for Soviet Jewry, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, said in an interview that the figure is "within reason to achieve the 5,000 to 6,000 level confirmed by the Soviet authorities in January."

He called the situation bittersweet and explained that though the figures are much better than the last few years, "it's still a far cry from the 1979 figure of 51,000 — the peak year for emigration."

Prossin said that the goal with regard to emigration is "no quotas — we don't want the gate to be shut" after the 11,000 Refuseniks are allowed to leave.

"There are so many who want to leave the Soviet Union. We want free emigration without any restrictions."

In other Soviet Jewry news, former hunger striker Alexander Ioffe has been informed by the OVIR emigration office that his application to be repatriated with his son Dimitry in Israel has been refused.

Prossin reports that Ioffe, whose fast earlier this year prompted Soviet authorities to grant an exit visa to Dimitry and his wife and child, was told that he wouldn't be allowed to emigrate until 1993.

On a more positive note, two longterm Refuseniks and former Prisoners of Conscience have been granted permission to emigrate.

In March, Mark Nepomniashchy, a 56-year-old electrical engineer from Odessa, and his son-in-law, Yakov Levin, a 28-year-old Hebrew teacher from Moscow, were released early from prison. They had been sentenced to three years in a labor camp on charges of anti-Soviet agitation. Upon release, they returned to their wives in Odessa.

Both men first applied for emigration in 1979.

Several days after Kishinev natives Nakhman and Soible Khomak were honored at the 4th annual spring event sponsored by National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section and the Committee for Soviet Jewry, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, came word that the elderly couple — he's 75 and she's 74 — received their exit visas.

The couple, who were adopted by Nova Branch of National Council about 10 years ago, first applied for repatriation with their only child Bella Khomak Mastov in Israel in 1977.

As well, Cherna Goldort, 58, of Novosibilsk has been granted permission, reports Linda DeVries of Brampton, who has been writing to her for three years.

DeVries organized a Mother's Day letter writing campaign on behalf of Goldort, who has a heart problem and says that she was refused for security reasons. In an interview, DeVries wondered aloud what security secrets a janitor would know.

Goldort last wrote to DeVries saying she "doesn't know why I bother to stay alive" and that she only wanted to be reunited with her two daughters in Israel and see the three grandchildren she'd never met.

United Church calls for probe of Ross

MONCTON, NB —
The Maritime Conference of the United Church of Canada has called upon New Brunswick's justice department to fully investigate Malcolm Ross under the Criminal Code.

At the recent 63rd annual meeting, the more than 1,000 delegates representing 667 congregations and 115,000 people unanimously approved Rev. James Leland's resolution which asked that Ross, a school teacher in Moncton district 15, be investigated for allegedly spreading anti-semitism and racism in the classroom.

As well, in trying to safeguard the dignity and wellbeing of all minority groups against hate literature, the resolution called for continued pressure on the provincial education department to guarantee an adequate course of studies within the system regarding racist and religious intolerance.

The conference executive called upon Moncton district 15 school board, once the investigation is completed, to respond according to "what it considered to be just and fair."

Last March, the school board accepted a 3-person committee report exonerating Ross of charges he taught his alleged racist and/or anti-semitic beliefs in the classroom. The only dissenting voice was Audrey Lampert, the only Jewish trustee.

A month later, New Brunswick Attorney-General David Clark announced that no charges would be laid against Ross under hate propaganda sections of the Criminal Code.

Leland, the minister of Florenceville United Church in the Woolastook Presbytery, said in an interview last week that he has been writing to the justice and education departments, the teachers' association and Premier Richard Hatfield since last November.

"I wasn't pleased at all with the response — especially from the justice department and I never heard from the premier," Leland said.

"I could see that the leadership here wasn't going to do much and I began to lose faith in them — that's why I drafted the resolution. I went through the proper channels but my last hope of seeing that things got done was to work from within the church."

Leland said that if the church issued a policy statement, it would put more pressure on the government and school board to act.

He said in a letter to the editor of the Telegraph Journal of Saint John that the government's failure to take action against Ross "paves the way for the intensification of racism and anti-semitism in New Brunswick society under the full protection of the law with the result that New Brunswick can become a safe haven for hatemongers and racists. . . .

"I feel ashamed and humiliated that those in responsible leadership positions within New Brunswick could permit such a deplorable course of events to develop. . .

"Our churches, and every decent person of goodwill, now have a moral obligation to take appropriate action to safeguard the security and dignity of the Jewish community in New Brunswick."

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CHARLOTTETOWN —
A Prince Edward Island man, who was the first person in the province to be charged with promoting hatred against an identifiable group, has been fined $500.

James Barry Bradley, 39, who pleaded guilty, was charged last May after he shouted racial slurs at a group of joggers — including two Blacks — who ran by his house in Banbury, just east of Charlottetown.

The presiding PEI Supreme Court justice said he was imposing the fine as a warning to others who would be intolerant.

The maximum penalty for the charge is two years in jail. **W.R.**

CORRECTION

The Labour Zionist Movement regrets that the name of Harry Froimovitch of Montreal was ommitted from the Labour Zionist list - Slate #6 - published in the May 14 issue of The Canadian Jewish News.

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CANADA'S SENIOR JEWISH ORGANIZATION

Editorial

Truth about UN

We agree completely with the point of view expressed recently by Canada's ambassador to the United Nations on the impotence of that organization in the Middle East arena.

Speaking to the annual meeting of the Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East (CJN May 21), Stephen Lewis said quite simply that the UN "is not capable of finding a peaceful solution to the Middle East problem," because the major players engage "in levels of rhetorical laceration which make one weep."

This is Mr. Lewis's elegant euphemism for the hate-filled invective directed at Israel in the General Assembly. UN resolutions, as another participant in the CPPME meeting meeting pointed out, have attempted "to justify an Arab war on Israel, terrorist attacks and expulsion of Israel from the United Nations."

Canada's ambassador noted that in the case of the Middle East "vested interests, intractability and intransigence" are the order of the day. Lewis contrasted the immobilism of the UN on the Middle East with its record on South Africa and Afghanistan, where, according to the ambassador, UN pressure has "profoundly embarrassed South African and Soviet authorities." If any kind of peace settlement does occur in the region, Lewis feels it will come outside the UN.

When he was first appointed Canada's ambassador to the UN Mr. Lewis tended to be somewhat euphoric in his public pronouncements on the value of the institution. The CJN had occasion to chide him then for his lack of realism on the issue. He was able to maintain a certain optimism by ignoring the outrageous anti-semitic venom which has become linguistic coin of the realm in debates on the Middle East.

We are relieved that Canada's UN ambassador has finally recognized the futility of the UN's involvement in the Middle East. It is something we have understood with acuteness since 1975 when the infamous Zionism = Racism resolution was passed. From the moment that ill-considered resolution was adopted, the UN disqualified itself as an arbiter of international morality.

Following up

We note with interest the remarks made by several panelists during a discussion of the Deschenes Commission report held during the recent Network convention in Toronto.

One of the panelists, formerly associated with the United States Office of Special Investigation, emphasized that the bulky document prepared by the Commission was only the first step in seeking out suspected Nazi war criminals in Canada.

Drawing on his own experience in the United States he suggested that it was almost too late to begin the task but he urged Canadians, nonetheless, to move quickly in order to actualize the Commission's mandate by furnishing evidence of criminal guilt.

That evidence, he said, does not come in the form of some dramatic encounter between a survivor and his victimizer. Gathering evidence is more complicated.

The American attorney suggested specific means of verifying the presence in Canada of war criminals including the monitoring of staff rosters at the concentration camps and comparing the names on those lists with immigration records from 1945 on.

Other panelists indicated that comparisons could also be drawn with driving licence records and that of old age pensions. Since much of this material is computerized, accessing it could provide rapid checking out of the material.

Panelists agreed that only the resources of government were adequate to carry out the voluminous work involved in tracking down war criminals.

The conclusions reached by the panelists at the Network convention are ones with which The CJN can agree. The Deschenes Commission report is, on the whole, an important statement about Canada's awareness that a problem exists in this country with regard to Nazi war criminals.

At the same time the report risks becoming a mere archival artifact unless concrete steps such as those mentioned above are taken to implement the recommendations of the Descehenes Commission.

Gadhafi reneged on promise

Jews from Libya will meet

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Hundreds of delegates from Israel, Italy and the U.S. will converge on New York City on June 6 to attend the first international convention of Jews from Libya.

Sponsored by the Association of Jews from Libya, the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the 2-day conference will feature a documentary film on Libyan Jewry, an exhibition of photographs and religious objects and a history of the community.

Nationalized property

Libyan Jews in Tripoli, 1943.

During the conference, which will be held at Shearith Israel Synagogue, legal experts will seek to determine whether former residents can make property claims against Libya. In 1970, shortly after Muammar Gadhafi overthrew the monarchy and seized control, Libya nationalized the property of Jews and Italians who had left, promising indemnification in 15 years. In 1985, when payment became due, Gadhafi reneged on his promise.

According to Raffaello Fellah, founder and president of the Association of Jews from Libya, the New York meeting is timed to coincide with the 20th anniversary of the forced departure of the Jewish community in the wake of the Six Day War.

Pogroms broke out during the 1967 war, resulting in the deaths of 17 Jews and in the eventual dissolution of the community. The degradation was not new. In 1936, Italy — the colonial power — slapped anti-semitic legislation on the 21,000 Jews of Libya, foreshadowing the drastic racial laws that would traumatize Italian Jewry just two years later. During World War II, Libyan Jews were stripped of their remaining rights and sent to labor camps.

With the end of the Italian occupation, normalcy returned. But within months, anti-Jewish riots erupted as Moslem mobs killed and wounded Jews, plundered their homes and businesses, and set fire to their synagogues.

With the establishment of Israel, more rioting ensued.

After the excesses of 1948, a measure of calm descended on the community, with King Idris guaranteeing Jews equal rights under the new constitution.

By Sept. 1, 1969, the date when Gadhafi staged his coup, Libya was home to approximately 500 Jews. After his takeover, many of them were concentrated in a camp near Tripoli, together with foreign residents, and were not permitted to leave the country.

Nevertheless, hundreds managed to escape.

Raffaello Fellah, in an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, claims that only four Jews live in Libya today. In a few years, Libya will no doubt be completely bereft of Jews.

METAMORPHOSIS

What happens to an abandoned synagogue?

•New York City's oldest surviving structure built as a synagogue, Congregation Anshe Chesed, known latterly as Congregation Ohab Zedek and Anshe Slonim, may become an artists' colony.

•Temple Gemilluth Chessed, in Port Gibson, Mississippi, could be turned into a museum or meeting hall.

More than a decade before the American Civil War, German Jews erected a splendid Gothic structure on Norfolk St., in New York's Lower East Side. Anshe Chesed, the third Jewish synagogue after Shearith Israel and B'nai Jeshurun, was established in 1828. Its new building opened on May 16, 1850.

Anshe Chesed became Congregation Ohab Zedek in 1874 and Anshe Slonim in 1921. In 1974, it was abandoned by its worshippers, and fell into disrepair.

Last September, the building was purchased for $500,000 by Angel Orensanz, a 44-year-old Spanish artist who was looking for a studio with ceilings high enough to accommodate his tall, cylindrical sculptures. On Feb. 10, the city's Landmarks Preservation Commission granted landmark status to the synagogue, saying, "The graceful arches and delicate tracery of this structure continue to enhance this historic neighborhood with remembrances of other, more prosperous times."

Orensanz plans to clean the interior, salvaging whatever possible, and then build 20 to 25 apartment units for artists within the existing shell.

In the late 1800s, German and East European Jews were lured to Port Gibson by high cotton prices and cheap labor. In 1891, the year Gemilluth Chessed was inaugurated, 41 Jewish families lived in the town.

Population decreased

The Jewish population gradually decreased, and services in the synagogue were discontinued. When Bill Lum, a local businessman, bought the property in 1986, sections of the roof and foundation had rotted away. "We were going to tear it down because we didn't want to endanger anyone," Karl Weil, the former president of the Reform congregation, is quoted as saying in a recent edition of The Jewish Monthly.

Lum, the proprietor of a clothing store and bed-and-breakfast inn, purchased the property for $20,000, which will be used for upkeep of the old Jewish cemetery. He intends to cover the dome with gold leaf and replace the deteriorating spire with a copper one.

The renovation, he believes, will preserve the spirit of the building and the beauty and character of Port Gibson, which has been described as one of the 10 most beautiful small towns in the U.S.

SHOCK & DISBELIEF

Hebrew Academy of Greater Washington is still reeling from revelations surrounding the arrest of its high school principal on charges of sexually molesting a 14-year-old boy.

The Washington Jewish Week reports that David Harrington, 43, was recently arrested and, after posting a $10,000 bond and released, disappeared.

In reaction, Hebrew Academy terminated his contract, explaining that he had falsified his application for the position. Rabbi William Altshul, the headmaster, says no one knew of Harrington's previous arrest on a sexual abuse charge.

Harrington was more than a child molester, having been convicted in 1985 of receiving stolen computer parts. That police investigation culminated in his arrest on the current child molesting charge.

Rabbi Altshul reacted philosophically. "It's part of the fallibility of the human being," he said. "All human beings have a *yetzer hara* (dark side)."

AUSTRIAN ANTI-SEMITISM

A year before the Waldheim affair burst into the open, the Institute for Conflict Research, in Vienna, conducted a telephone survey on anti-semitic attitudes in Austrian society.

The results are in.

•Ten percent of Austrians can be considered to have a racist anti-Jewish attitude.

•Workers represent the group with the strongest racist anti-semitism.

•The greatest incidence of racist anti-semitism is found in Salzburg (Mozart's birthplace), followed by Tirol, Upper Austria and Burgenland.

•Three percent of Austrians agree with the statement that "one has to be grateful to the Nazis for having expelled the Jews from Austria." Eighty nine percent reject this form of anti-semitism, and 8% gave no answer.

•Seven percent agree that Jews "have a negative influence on culture and civilization." Eighty one percent disagree.

•The incidence of anti-semitism is high among the retired and elderly. Persons under 25 exhibit traces of anti-semitism.

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Opinion

"Thrilled to be here, particularly in this job," says Yarosky

UIA Canada's man in Israel helps bridge gap

By
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JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Canada's contribution to Israel is unique both in its quality and its quantity, according to Mike Yarosky, newly installed Israel director of the United Israel Appeal of Canada.

"In terms of the amount of funds contributed and the number of projects sponsored on a per capita basis," he says, "the involvement of the Canadian Jewish community is the greatest in the world."

Canada's contribution to Israel is unique in yet another way, which the Canadian director refrains from mentioning: it has in Israel a man who possesses the extraordinary background, drive and skills of Mike Yarosky.

Yarosky has been at his new post for just three months and his enthusiasm for the job is clearly evident. He is particularly excited about the profound interest that Canadians have in their involvement in Israel.

"The Canadian Project Renewal Committee, a voluntary group, sits in Canada discussing a club house in Yeroham, a day-care centre in Kiryat Shmona and educational problems in Metulla," he says.

Reports back on implementation and progress of projects

"They are aware of specific difficulties encountered in specific schools and neighborhoods in Israel, they know which areas suffer from drug problems, which physical education facility has a leaking roof. They know which school has a particularly good principal and which one needs computers.

"And they know all this because they come to Israel to see for themselves — and they come on a regular basis, to see 'their' neighborhoods in Israel and to sit with the residents."

Born in Ste. Sophie de la Corne in the foothills of the Laurentian mountains in rural Quebec, Yarosky emerged from a Jewish farming community that numbered 30 Jewish families out of a population of 3,000 souls.

The community, which thrived against all the odds, had both a Jewish cemetery and a Jewish day school (where Mike Yarosky's Canadian-born mother, Eva, was a teacher and his Russian-born father, Harry, a chicken farmer.

Eva and Harry Yarosky obviously imbued their children with a strong sense of Zionism.

Yarosky's two brothers — Bezalel and Moshe — came on aliya 30 years ago and now live on moshavim.

Mike Yarosky himself followed with his own family and parents in 1983, exchanging the Montreal suburb of St. Laurent for the posh north Tel Aviv suburb of Savvyon, from where he commutes daily to the UIA office in Jerusalem.

His eldest daughter, Ronit, 19, is now serving in the Israel Army, his younger daughter, Tamar, 16, attends the Yehud Comprehensive High School and is a counselor in the Scouts, while his wife, Jackie, teaches English at Bar-Ilan University.

Yarosky's background is impressive. Before settling in Israel, he worked as a consultant — specializing in Project Renewal — for North American Jewish communities, and so he brings to his new job expertise in a subject with which the Canadian Jewish community, through UIA, is deeply involved.

Project Renewal is a unique neighborhood rehabilitation program which involves major Diaspora communities working in partnership with underprivileged Israeli neighborhoods to help them help themselves.

Canadian Jewish communities are twinned with no less than 10 Project Renewal neighborhoods in Israel — about 10% of all such twinning relationships.

In addition to his Project Renewal work with the Jewish communities in the United States, Yarsoky was also national executive vice-president of Jewish National Fund for four years before moving to Israel.

Prior to that, he was director of the Jewish Community Research Institute in Montreal, a think-tank that was set up to consider policy alternatives for Quebec's Jewish community after the 1976 provincial elections brought the separatist Parti Quebecois to power.

In addition, he was director of Jewish Family Services of the Baron de Hirsch Institute, director of the Snowdon YMHA and director of Hillel at McGill University (where he had earlier earned an MSW at the McGill School of Social Work).

Yarosky was also a commissioner of human rights for the Quebec government, ensuring that the legal and civil rights of Quebec residents were not violated.

For all that, Yarosky is "thrilled to be here, particularly in this job . . .

"For me, being in Israel brings together a tremendous, warm, positive feeling about my Canadian roots and a strong identification with Israel. To be given the responsibility to work professionally to bridge these two feelings is a big thrill."

Yarosky always wanted to raise his family in Israel: "I also wanted to be connected with my brothers here — and I love the weather," he says with a smile.

As director of UIA, Yarosky's brief is both to represent the organization and to monitor the effectiveness of its contributions.

"I represent in Israel the ability of UIA Canada to make intelligent choices about fund allocations. My office here has the responsibility of distributing the funds once they have been approved.

"I then report back to Canada on the implementation and progress of the projects we support. That is the monitoring aspect of the job."

In this he is assisted by the Israel Residents' Committee, a voluntary group of Canadians living in Israel which meets regularly to recommend projects and helps to monitor work in progress.

Yarosky is keen to increase the involvement of Canadian-Israelis in the activities of his office and to increase awareness of the contribution being made by the UIA.

"The Canadian presence is strong in Israel and not enough people — including Canadians — are aware of it," he says. "There is a strong Zionist affinity and identification of Canadian Jewry with Israel on an individual and community basis."

Yarosky works closely with the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel (AACI) in arranging missions from Canada which aim to give more Canadians the opportunity to see Israel's social needs and assess the UIA's work.

"There are over one hundred physical projects in Israel to which UIA Canada has 'legal title,' including day care centres, youth clubs, auditoriums, community halls . . . these are built, owned and maintained by the UIA.

Mike Yarosky

"And, most important," he says, "once a facility is developed, we don't forget about it. We in Israel, as well as the missions from Canada, are constantly monitoring our projects in order to ensure that they are properly maintained and to stay in touch with developing needs."

Through the efforts of the Canadian Jewish community, UIA supports a host of social welfare and humanitarian services in Israel.

The organization owns and maintains three absorption centres — one in Jerusalem, one in Ashkelon and one in Ashdod — as well as a hostel for single immigrants in Jersualem.

It also contributes towards no fewer than 84 other facilities, including absorption centres, hostels for academics and for the elderly, and Hebrew-language schools both in the major centres and on kibbutzim.

UIA also provides help for needy Israeli youngsters within the framework of a non-profit, charitable program known as Youth Services.

And refugee students who arrive in Israel are eligible for financial assistance to continue their studies. UIA scholarships are available at all of Israel's major universities.

At the UIA's national executive meeting in Montreal on April 6, it was decided to build a day care centre in one of Israel's most needy towns, Kiryat Shemona, which has suffered extensive physical and psychological damage over the years from its position on Israel's northern border with Lebanon.

Similar facilities will also be built with UIA contributions in the Arab village of El Kosh and the Jewish settlement of Kamon, both in the Galilee.

In the south of the country, there will be a UIA-sponsored day care centre in Idan and a youth club in Ein Yahav.

Also on the agenda are a youth club in Hatzeva, a technological school in Tiberias, sports centres in Metulla and Yesod Hama'alah, and a regional day centre in Safad.

The Montreal meeting also approved financing for a large marine culture centre in the southern Israeli port city of Eilat.

"My mission is to help these things happen most effectively and to improve the services that we provide," says Yarosky. "What's being done now is terrific, but I want to make it even more so."

Right now, Yarosky works "crazy hours" and spends much of his time traveling the length and breadth of the country inspecting Canadian-sponsored projects and learning more about Israel's needs.

His mandate, he says, "is to use the skills I have developed in Canada as a professional working in the Jewish community for the past 20 years and to maximize the input and involvement of the Canadian Jewish community in the development of Israel."

Video shows two gifted 50-year-olds

Romantic symbiosis: IPO and Mehta

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Striking images convey the lusty marriage between two gifted 50-year-olds: the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and its musical director Zubin Mehta.

Going on Fifty ($59.95), a newly released 59-minute video cassette, depicts their romantic symbiosis with scenes like:

- Fireworks splashing across the Tel Aviv night sky, as Mehta leads the IPO through the climax of Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture, in an open air concert attended by more than 100,000 spectators.
- Boos and catcalls from the Mann Auditorium audience during his 1981 attempt to play Richard Wagner (Tape segment is in black and white). A favorite of the Nazis, Wagner's music was used to provide a mocking welcome to newly arriving concentration camp inmates.
- A stage bulging with the members of the IPO and the New York Philharmonic Orchestra shuffled together in alternating white and black tuxedos, swaying under Mehta's baton in the performance of Berlioz's Symphony Fantastique.
- Mehta and white-haired Arthur Rubinstein, the legendary Jewish-Polish pianist, conducting the IPO together. Also in black and white.
- Mehta coaching a lanky pigtailed schoolgirl demonstrating her piano virtuosity in an empty auditorium.

Mehta began his formal association with the IPO in 1961, as guest conductor. Both were turning 50 years of age last year when the Israeli documentary was produced, by Dan Shiloa. The latter also helped write and edit it.

The 1812 concert several years ago demonstrated the work and organization between Mehta and the IPO, and their combined popularity in the country. His pleasure in the job of conducting seemed to reach the level of ecstasy.

The Wagner incident "left its scar on Mehta and the orchestra," says narrator Irv Kaplan. "But to this day he holds out hope for an eventual Wagner performance." Fistfights broke out that evening. Members of the audience and musicians yelled back and forth to each other and among themselves, in Hebrew and English.

Zubin Mehta

It quickly turned into a triumph for Mehta, however: as a gesture of support, he was appointed IPO music director.

Mehta, also music director of the New York Philharmonic, has arranged for reciprocal as well as joint concerts. Both musical bodies have apparently profited.

"Rubinstein came every year to Israel," said Mehta. "He played with the IPO on tour. His last recording was made with us."

On one trip, explained Mehta on camera, Rubinstein hesitantly asked him for the chance to fulfil a lifelong dream — to conduct his own favorite composer. "Without having to think twice," said Mehta, "I slapped my hand down on the table and said 'gemacht.' (It's a deal — in Yiddish.)"

Rubinstein joined celebrated musicians like Bronislaw Huberman, the violinist who founded the IPO, conductor Arturo Toscanini, and others who have contributed to and acknowledged the IPO's stature.

Listening to pianist Maya Weltman and other promising young musicians represents Mehta's "concern for the future of the IPO.

"I make it my business to find out what is going on among the young, what resources we have for continuity. In Israel," he said with a broad smile, "there is an embarrassment of riches."

Mehta is shown guiding them and inducting new members into the IPO.

Plans include more opera, to satisfy IPO followers of "Central European background, who came from towns and cities that had at least one opera house," said Mehta.

More tours for the IPO are in the offing. "I'd like to take the IPO to Egypt," says Mehta. "I think basically the Egyptian people are with us. Can you imagine what it would do if we played in Alexandria and Cairo?"

Mehta pauses. "Beethoven has helped us a lot in the area of goodwill," he says.

Going on Fifty — a tape that can be screened at a party and enhance the social graces involved — demonstrates the value of well applied video to a largely musical subject.

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Opinion

Continuing consequences for Israelis and Arabs

Six Day War ushered in a new era in Mideast

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

To Jews and Arabs who lived through it, the high drama of the Six Day War remains as vivid today as 20 years ago, a tumultuous event in the history of the modern Middle East.

An ugly stain on the fabric of Arab nationalism, the Six Day War signified a watershed in Israeli pride, an event of untrammeled euphoria and rejoicing for Jews throughout the Diaspora.

Fanned in various degrees by Egypt, Syria and the Soviet Union, but launched by Israel, it was a textbook example of how nations blunder into conflict and how they scramble to adapt to its unexpected consequences.

Israel's third war with its Arab neighbors ushered in a new era in the Middle East — changing the balance of power in the region, deepening Arab hostility, destabilizing Lebanon, accelerating the growth of the fledgling PLO, complicating the Arab-Israeli dispute, reinforcing Israel's relationship with the U.S., tarnishing its special ties with France, and ruining its relations with the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, and transforming its image in the world.

On the home front, the war triggered tremendous consequences.

It brought Israel the joy and the pain of new territories. It engendered a hopeful sense of security, but led to an upsurge of guerrilla warfare, terrorism and yet more wars. It greatly strengthed the forces of revisionist Zionism and religious messianism at the expense of labor Zionism, thereby shifting Israeli politics considerably to the right.

It encouraged a short-lived spurt of Western aliya, metamorphized Israel into an American-style consumer society, and somewhat radicalized Israel's heretofore somnolent Arab population.

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Truly a landmark in Israel's short but turbulent existence, the Six Day War grew out of a succession of mounting crises.

A decade after the Sinai campaign, Israel was still an object of revulsion, a foreign element, in the Middle East. Tension subsided in the wake of the 1956 Suez war, but it resurfaced with a vengeance when the Arab states, at a 1964 summit in Cairo, took the fateful decision to divert the waters of the Jordan River and establish the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Internal upheavals in Syria, which brought radical segments of the ruling Baath Party into government, exacerbated the situation.

In November of 1966, the Israeli Army staged a big reprisal raid into the Jordanian village of al-Samu, shaking King Hussein's monarchy. The king had been unable or unwilling to prevent Palestinians from attacking Israeli settlements.

But, for Israel, the most serious terrorist threat came from the north — Syria. The Syrians systematically permitted Palestinian bands to operate against Israel from the Golan Heights, and they fired on Israeli farmers, claiming the Israelis had no right to till the soil in demilitarized zones.

Soviets chose to play role of instigator

On April 7, 1967, after Syria shelled villages in the Huleh Valley, the Israeli Air Force went into action. The Syrians responded, and by day's end Syria had lost 6 aircraft. The aerial battle, the biggest yet, roiled the Arab world.

Egypt's charismatic president, Gamal Abdel Nasser, was then at a lob ebb in his startling career. His troops were fighting tribesmen in feudal Yemen; he was at odds with King Hussein; his relations with Saudi Arabia were badly frayed.

In light of Nasser's problems, Syria's urgent request for help did not go unheeded in Cairo. On May 13, following a warning to Syria by Israel's chief of staff, Yitzhak Rabin, not to inflame their common border, a Soviet parliamentary delegation visiting Egypt spread a false rumor that Israel had massed 11 brigades along the Syrian border. It is still unclear why the Soviet Union, which had an embassy in Tel Aviv, chose to play the role of instigator.

Amid all this, Nasser whipped up the anti-Israel frenzy that had been building in Egypt. On May 17, he demanded the withdrawal of the United Nations peacekeeping force in Sinai. In a grievous error, U Thant, the phelgmatic Burmese secretary-general, complied without demur. Three days later, Nasser dispatched some 100,000 troops, and 1,000 tanks, into the Sinai.

Arab contingents completed ring of steel

Nasser compounded his mistake on May 22 by declaring the Straits of Tiran closed to Israeli shipping, an act of war in Israel's eyes. On May 26, he told the Arab Trade Unions Congress that he meant to destroy Israel. On May 30, King Hussein flew to Cairo and placed his army under an Egyptian commander. Iraq followed suit. Arab contingents from other parts of the Middle East arrived to complete the ring of steel around Israel.

Despite all this, Nasser did not really want a war with Israel, observers say. He thought that the *threat* of war would frighten Israel into making sweeping political concessions to the Arabs.

Israel watched these developments with alarm and disbelief. The Israeli government, headed by Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, attempted to defuse the crisis through diplomatic means. Meanwhile, the Israel Defence Force was mobilized and a national unity government was formed. Menachem Begin, the Herut leader, was inducted into the cabinet. To the nation's relief, Moshe Dayan, the ex-chief of staff, was appointed defence minister.

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The war was won brilliantly by Israel. On June 5, the Israeli Air Force, which had planned for this moment, struck airfields in Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Iraq, destroying 391 planes. In combat, Israel downed 60 planes. All told, Israel lost 19 aircraft.

The victory in the skies enabled the Israeli Air Force to support IDF ground operations vigorously.

The war was essentially fought on three fronts.

•In Sinai, Israel smashed Egyptian armor, converting the Mitla Pass into a charnel house. Israeli soldiers swept to the Suez Canal and captured Sharm el-Sheikh, reopening the Straits of Tiran.

•On the West Bank, Israel was triumphant, defeating the crack Arab legion. Towns like Nablus and Hebron fell in short order. The eastern half of Jerusalem, with its Western Wall, was taken in heavy fighting.

Jordan could have stayed out of the war. On the first day of hostilities, Israel sent a message to King Hussein, via the United Nations, designed to assure him that it had no designs on Jordan. King Hussein, honoring his pact with Egypt, made the mistake of his life when he shelled the outskirts of Tel Aviv, laid down a heavy barrage on the western part of Jerusalem, and moved against UN headquarters in a demilitarized zone of that city.

•On the Golan Heights, the fighting lasted just 27 hours. Dayan, fearful of overextending the IDF and uncertain what the response of the Soviet Union would be, had been reluctant to attack Syria. But once the decision was made to take on the Syrians there was no turning back.

Israel conquered the Golan Heights, a fortified volcanic plateau, in less time than it expected. But the battles were fierce, often involving hand-to-hand combat.

In six days, Israel sustained 777 killed and 2,586 wounded. The Arabs suffered more than 15,000 casualties.

"The results of the war were a vindication of years of hard work on the part of commanders of Israel's armed forces and of very effective military planning," writes Chaim Herzog in *The Arab-Israeli Wars*. In some cases, he adds, Israel's victory was "more a result of Arab negligence, lack of coordination and poor command at the higher level than of Israeli effectiveness." Ze'ev Schiff, in *A History of the Israeli Army*, says that superior military intelligence enabled Israel to gain an immediate advantage over the Arabs.

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Israeli soldiers pause at the Western Wall after the capture of East Jerusalem in the Six Day War.

In the magical afterglow, the Israelis, succumbing to hubris, labored under the comforting illusion that all they had to do was to sit back and wait for the Arabs to sue for peace. Dayan, in a classic ill-informed remark, said he would wait for a "telephone call" from the Arabs.

The call never came. Embittered and ashamed by the outcome, they regrouped. At the Khartoum summit in August of that year, they issued their three "noes" — no recognition of Israel, no negotiations with Israel, no peace with Israel. The Six Day War, Amos Elon observes in *The Israelis*, "deepened rather than allayed the Arab sense of outrage at the establishment and success" of Israel.

Within days of the Arab defeat, the Soviet Union, in a massive airlift, replenished the depleted armories of Egypt and Syria. By July, the Egyptians were shelling Israeli positions on the eastern half of the Suez Canal, now closed to shipping. In October of 1967, a Soviet-built Egyptian missile sunk the Eilat — an Israeli destroyer — off the coast of Sinai, resulting in the deaths of 47 seamen.

Nasser, who was to die in 1970, stepped up the war of attrititon against Israel in 1968. At a cost of hundreds of millions dollars, Israel constructed the Bar-Lev Line, a string of Sinai fortifications that would fall in the Yom Kippur War.

The 1967 war vastly improved Israel's strategic situation, making it into *the* regional power, but the subsequent War of Attrition, as it came to be known, bloodied Israel. Sinai took the brunt of the war, but it flared on the West Bank, the Gaza Strip and the Golan Heights as well.

The inclusion of these territories into its hands presented Israel with a dilemma. It could retain the occupied areas, but only at the cost of repressing the local Palestinians, particularly on the West Bank and in Gaza. Critics of the policy said the occupation could only corrupt and demean Israeli society.

The PLO, with Yasser Arafat at its helm, grew more powerful and more influential after 1967. By 1974, the PLO was recognized as "the sole legitimate representative" of the Palestinians by the Arab world. Palestinian terrorism became a fact of life, and increased sharply.

The ever-growing Palestinian question affected Jordan and Lebanon. It spawned a civil war in Jordan in 1970, forcing the PLO to set up camp in Lebanon. Israeli retaliatory raids into Lebanon were one of the root causes of the civil war in that previously tranquil country.

Israel's relationship with the U.S. grew dramatically in the years following the Six Day War, notwithstanding Israel's assault on the Liberty, a U.S. spy ship hit by Israeli planes and patrol boats in the opening phase of the conflict.

By contrast, France broke its special bonds with Israel, slapping an arms embargo on the Israelis. The Soviet Union and its East bloc allies, in a rash move they would regret, severed their diplomatic relations with the Jewish state.

There is no doubt that, in a political sense, the war turned Israel to the right. It strengthened right-wing parties, heralding the rise of the Herut Party, and it brought on the rampant materialism that is now one of the leit motifs of contemporary Israel. For several years after the war, Western immigrants flooded into Israel.

Contact with West Bank-Gaza Strip Arabs radicalized Israeli Arabs, a process that is still being played out.

After all these years, Israel's image has changed tremendously: Meek David has turned into mighty Goliath. The general press is far less adoring than it was in the pre-1967 period. And, by virtue of its intimate American connection, Israel has become the darling of Western conservatives, a bulwark against Communism.

Israel is not the same country it was before June 5, 1967.

Opinion

Changing process of adaptation clear

Jewish reflections on visit to Silicone Valley

By
J. B. SALSBERG

Most Jews, though not all, tend to look for Jews and Jewish institutions when traveling and, especially so, when they visit distant places. I usually do.

J. B. Salsberg

This behavior pattern may reflect the heritage of insecurity and frequent persecutions that became our experience. For centuries when a Jew met another Jew, from another city or country the preliminary exchanges were concerned with how the visitor's Jewish community fared.

At the present, when violent anti-semitism (at least in the Western world) is the exception to the rule, the inquiries that Jews with a positive attitude to their Jewishness ask of a Jew from another land is whether the visitor's community is a vibrant social and cultural entity.

In essence what such an inquiry refers to is whether in a democratically free society the voluntary detachment from structured Jewish society is not threatening Jewish continuity. In the United States, in Canada, in Central and South America, as well as in all Western European countries, the trend in the direction of voluntary assimilation into the majority culture is rampant.

Objective Jewish sociologists in America, as well as most Israelis who think about this problem, are alarmed by the trend I refer to. This realistic view of the world Jewish scene is, whether we like it or not, unassailable. Indeed, there are very responsible Jewish sociologists in the U.S. who predict an alarming decline of American Jewry from the present five or six million to about 600,000 in the middle of the next century.

Those concerned and worried sociologists are not ignoring the current trends towards Orthodoxy and chassidism in North America. But they recognize that all Jewish religious streams — including the Conservative and Reform sectors — are a minority of the total Jewish population in America. **They also know that about 50% of all Jewish children in the U.S. receive no Jewish education of any sort . . .**

Little wonder, therefore, that your humble scribe, who rarely forgets this beclouded Jewish reality, should be concerned with the state of Jewish affairs in any community he visits. That's what I tried to do during my 4-day visit to the area that's known as "silicone valley," not far from San Francisco. But, as they say in Yiddish: "A gast far a vail zeht far a mile" (a visitor can often see farther than a resident).

So what did I see?

I went to attend an Orthodox-style bat mitzvah of a branch of my family. While there I also visited another branch of the family in another California area. Those two families are poles apart in their way of life and concerns.

One branch, though not perhaps observing the Orthodox daily lifestyle, associates with a small Orthodox "minyan," the only one of its kind "for many miles around," as I was informed. "This," an officer of the congregation told me, "is Temple country," meaning that this chain of small communities is predominantly Reform.

The minyan can accommodate about 100 men and, perhaps, the same number of women, separated by an appropriate partition.

It was filled to capacity on this shabbes morning because of the bat mitzvah and the scores of out-of-town guests who came to celebrate the occasion. The average age of the regular membership would, in my opinion, be in the early 40s. There is no rabbi. Members conduct all services very, very capably by themselves.

When speaking to a leading person there he informed me that theirs is the only Orthodox congregation for miles and miles around. (Lubavitch also has a congregation in the general area, but many miles away.)

How, I asked, do your members come to shul on Shabbes, when they live so far away? "They come by car." And how, I asked sympathetically, how do the rabbis react to that? "The rabbis, when asked, say, of course, that it is forbidden, but they take no action, because they know that there is no alternative."

I do not presume to question or, even less, to judge that well-meaning and very dedicated group. But it's clear that Orthodox adherents of the old school would question (if not totally reject) the Orthodoxy of that group. I cannot even guarantee their observance of kashrut in their private lives. But they mean well and that's not to be easily dismissed.

That's, perhaps, a new brand of Orthodoxy, an American breed, that would fit, with reservations, into a "right wing" Conservative synagogue. It is part of the changing process of adaptation in the American Jewish scene.

As for the other Jewish family I visited? It is a nice but an estranged remnant of Jewish life. Its future as Jews is very questionable.

All this, one reflects, is part of the dimmed picture of American Jewry that is emerging.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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"LET'S BE COMRADES"

I was dismayed and appalled to read Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut's account of what happened in his synagogue in April. The very thought that a Jew with *payes* and *tsitsis* destroyed and desecrated a bimah on a Sabbath eve is beyond my comprehension.

Lately, I have been receiving letters soliciting funds from numerous chassidic groups. Are these groups trading or selling mailing lists?

And why would they accept my financial contributions without knowing (or caring) whether I belonged to the Orthodox, Conservative, Reform or Reconstructionist movement? It makes one want to rethink who he should support.

A revered tradition of ancient origin has it that when the Children of Israel stood at the foot of Mount Sinai to receive the Torah, God made them pledge themselves one for another.

From this historic memory stemmed two basic beliefs, the first being that "All Jews are responsible for one another," and the second, that "All Jews are comrades." ("*Kol Yisrael chaverim.*")

Perhaps some of our chassidic brethren should be reminded of this.

Jack Mintzberg
Montreal

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DEPLORES "RANTING & RAVING"

It was bad enough that you printed attacks on Reform rabbis recently by self-anointed, self-appointed, sanctimonious Jewish bigots who labeled them "non-rabbis." Now (April 30) you provide a platform for a tirade against Rabbi Gunther Plaut by a malicious, anti-Israel activist Dorothy Calden, who wrote the letter headed "Calls Plaut's justice flawed."

Rabbi Plaut writes one of your better columns. His thoughts, full of wisdom, are always written so concisely that they are easily understood by anyone. (I am *not* a Reform temple member.)

To me, it seems proper that all the Jewish media should create an atmosphere of "kol Isroel chaverim" (all Jews are comrades). This still leaves a lot of room for friendly differences and discussions and also brotherly criticisms . . . constructive ones. We need no ranting nor raving by bigots of any kind.

The question "Who is a Jew?" enrages me. My mother, of blessed memory, had the answer.

She said that in her Ukrainian village, any little *Gentile* with a stone in his hand, knew who to throw it at. He, like Lavan, Pharaoh, Amalek, Haman, Hitler and modern day Zundel, Keegstra, Ross, Taylor, did not care what shul the Jews go to, or stay away from.

Joseph Alexandroff
Hamilton, Ont.

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CALLS BURAK "BLINKERED"

Is The CJN obliged by an irrevocable contract to Rabbi Moses Burak to give him a weekly forum for his narrow and blinkered interpretations of broad and universal concepts?

Burak recently took a swipe at the Jewish Theological Seminary for permitting women to perform cantorial duties.

Our all-knowing researcher states that in his studying sources from the past 1,000 years, he fails to find a single job description for a cantor who is a lady.

Would his argument not be much more meaningful, and possibly even convincing, if he could cite one source that categorically forbids or even specifically denies the performance of chazzanut to a lady?

Dr. Morton R. Lang
Montreal

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POPE IGNORED SAINT STEIN

I'd like to make a small but important correction to Sheldon Kirshner's April 30 article headed "Sainthood for Jewish convert":

Before entering the Carmelite cloister in Cologne, Edith Stein wrote to Pope Pius XI, asking for a private audience to suggest an encyclica, clarifying the relationship between church and synagogue and to condemn anti-semitism.

The Pope never replied. (See Pater Eckert in *Monumenta Judaica*, ed. City of Cologne, 1963, page 539.)

Dr. Julius Pfeiffer
Montreal

Sheldon Kirshner replies: You're right. The Pope acted less than desirably.

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DR. STICK TO MEDICINE

Dr. M. Gordon (CJN, April 16) advises the Lubavitcher Rebbe to refrain from making medical pronouncements and stick to rabbinical duties. The doctor goes on to describe these duties, which do not include making decisions regarding homosexuality.

I advise Dr. Gordon to stick to his medical practice and get "his nose" out of the rabbinate.

It is precisely the function of a rabbi to examine our Torah and determine the acceptability of any given behavior. If doctors can help people approach acceptable behavior, then more power to them.

If they can't help, they have no right to make moral statements based on their limited capacities.

Let us not forget Prof. Francis Crick who shared the Nobel Prize in medicine in 1962 for being co-discoverer of the structure of DNA. He proposed that birth and death be redefined, so that individuals would not commence legal life until age 2 days, and would be considered legally dead at age 80.

In this manner, "undesirables" could be eliminated.

Sorry, Dr. Gordon, I would rather stick with the divine morals of a Torah than with the ever changing values of a morally bankrupt secularism.

L. Mayerson
Thornhill, Ont.

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SHAPE UP, JB, ON MANYA!

We read with interest the May 7 article by J. B. Salsberg and we were astounded what he wrote about the renowned Jewish teacher Manya Lipshitz.

She was our teacher in the shul we went to. Not only did she teach us, but for the most part of her adult life she taught at the Morris Winchevsky School Of The United Jewish Peoples Order. Many prominent people in the Jewish community were graduates of this shul and taught by Manya.

Is JB's memory getting so bad that he does not remember this, or did he deliberately forget?

In mentioning other renowned Jewish teachers that Manya taught with, he forgot to mention Leibel Basman.

JB, shape up!

Rita Bergman
Julia Yorke
Hilda Temkin
Toronto

Manya Lipshitz

BASMAN HELPED YOUNG TEACHERS

I wish to join J. B. Salsberg in his fine tribute to Manya Lipshitz. Manya richly deserves the acclaim and has more than earned the recognition and respect of hundreds (if not thousands) of her students and all the colleagues who ever worked with her.

The name, however, of Leibel Basman, also certainly deserves to be mentioned as one of the foremost renowned and beloved Yiddish pedagogues in Canada. Basman taught in Jewish schools in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver. All his life he devoted to Jewish teaching and cultural work.

He also was a co-worker and colleague of Manya's for many years. The two of them played a big part in helping us somewhat younger teachers and encouraging us at all times. Basman imbued all of us not only with a great love for the Yiddish language and culture but served as a real-life model of selfless devotion to Jewish teaching.

I hope JB will forgive me for pointing out this little oversight.

Dovid Kunigis
Montreal

Editor's note: As J. B. Salsberg mentioned in his May 14 column, a paragraph lauding Basman was edited out due to space limitations during the makeup process of The CJN.

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SURVIVOR QUESTIONS TV FILM

On April 12, I watched a TV special, based apparently on true fact, called *Escape from Sobibor*.

This, by the way, was the first time I picked up enough courage to watch a production dealing with concentration camps, after being myself an inmate of Ravensbruck, Oranienburg and Sachsenhausen over 40 years ago. Nothing shown on film or written in a book can adequately depict the grim reality of those horror-filled days.

It is a positive thing that new generations who are lucky enough not to have suffered World War II and the Nazi atrocities are shown what human hatred and injustice can do, so they will, hopefully, be able to avoid it in the future.

What saddened me greatly was that the value of the movie was nullified by the final commentaries concerning the fate of some of the lucky 300, who made it to safety.

Specifically: (a) the man hiding at a Polish farmer's, who later was killed by his "protector" for greed of money. (I wonder how an escapee had gold and valuables on him, where did they come from?).

(b) The second man, who after returning to Lublin, was killed by his countrymen, merely for being a Jew.

Both these incidents are highly unlikely, but may have happened under special circumstances.

I feel it is unfair to make unsupported statements, which after all these years can hardly be verified and therefore are impossible to refute — especially if they are not counter-balanced by at least a mention of the many Poles of Jewish background who survived the war because of the help of their non-Jewish compatriots.

Otherwise effects of stories like *Escape from Sobibor* will create more harm than good, and develop new hatreds.

S. Poray-Swinarski
Toronto

World-National

Unprecedented wave of violence

Arab youths go on the rampage in Jerusalem

By
GIL SEDAN

JERUSALEM (JTA) — On the eve of the 20th anniversary of Jerusalem's reunification, the tense quiet in the capital was disrupted over the weekend by an unprecedented wave of violence by hundreds of Arab youths.

The cycle of unrest moved to Jerusalem following the murder of the Israeli child in Elon Moreh (see separate story) and a number of incidents throughout the administered territories.

Observers tied the renewed violence to the forthcoming celebrations of Jerusalem Day and the 20th anniversary of the Six Day War, on June 5.

Riots in Jerusalem began as thousands of Arabs gathered on Temple Mount for the prayers of Lailat Al-Kadr, the last weekend of the Ramadan fast. Arab youths threw empty bottles at a bus going through the narrow alleys of the old city toward the wailing wall. Then they moved toward Damascus Gate — the northern edge of the Old City — throwing stones and bottles at Israeli vehicles passing down the main street adjacent to the Old City walls. A number of windows were smashed, but no one was hurt.

As police and border police arrived on the scene, the youths began attacking the police vehicles. A jeep and a police van were also damaged.

Police used tear gas chasing the youths — which according to one estimate numbered 1,000 people — inside the Old City. Street battles between police and the demonstrators continued until the late hours of Saturday. Toward midnight, hundreds of Arabs gathered on Temple Mount, chanting anti-Israeli slogans. Only after midnight, as police moved inside the Temple Mount area, and religious leaders at Al-Aksa calmed down the demonstrators, did peace return to the city. A large police force remained at hand to prevent further violence.

Throughout Sunday police maintained a strong presence in the city.

On Friday, an IDF officer shot to death a terrorist who operated a roadside bomb against an army vehicle on the main road passing through the Gaza Strip.

The incident occurred at an intersection at the southern end of the Gaza Strip. An explosive device exploded as a military car passed by. The passengers, members of the security forces, fired warning shots when they saw a group of men running away from the scene. They then chased the running Arabs, firing at them, and fatally wounding one of them. The other suspects reportedly fled.

On Saturday, unidentified gunmen shot and wounded a nephew of Jenin Mayor Abdallah Lahkloukh. Security sources believe the attack was aimed at the mayor, a moderate who was appointed by the authorities.

The security forces reported over the weekend the uncovering of two terrorist squads in Judea. According to security sources, one gang planted mines and the other carried out petrol bomb attacks. The security forces apprehended several days ago one of the six terrorists who escaped the Gaza prison 10 days ago.

"Piracy on high seas" near Lebanon

Aussie paper alleges Israeli kidnapping

By
VIC ALHADEFF

SYDNEY, Australia — A full-page article accusing Israel of kidnapping eight innocent Arabs, seizing a $350,000 boat belonging to an Australian and imprisoning him in a filthy cell for a month was given splash treatment in Sydney's premier newspaper recently.

The article, employing such emotive and loaded phrases as "piracy on the high seas," did not offer Israel's legation in Australia the courtesy of a reply. The story was featured in the mass-circulation Sydney Morning Herald under the intriguing headline "Is the Mossad after this man?"

A quick response in the form of a strongly-worded letter from Israeli Consul-General Zvi Gabay confirmed that eight Arabs had indeed been apprehended — but they were PLO terrorists allegedly engaged in a mission to hijack a civilian bus near the border town of Kiryat Shemona and massacred as many Israelis as possible. They admitted this during their subsequent trial in a military court in Lod on July 24 last year.

The article, based on the allegations of 39-year-old Australian Barry White, charged Israel with seizing his vessel five nautical miles west of Lebanon about 18 months ago. On board, according to White, were eight Arab passengers whose sole intention was to visit their families in Sidon. They were even carrying toys for their children, he pointed out as part of the "proof" of their innocence. White ran a regular charter service from Cyprus to Lebanon and declared that, as a matter of policy, he never took terrorists on board.

Off the coast of Lebanon an Israeli gunboat approached and ordered White to set a course for Israel. When he objected, the Israelis threatened to blow his boat out of the water, he alleged. In Israel he was locked in a tiny cell for 30 days and his boat was impounded. He did not see the eight passengers again.

The reference to the Mossad in the headline was based on White's claim that Mossad agents regularly harass him in Australia in an effort to discourage him from drawing attention to the issue. He was supported in the article by Member of Parliament Graeme Campbell, who commented angrily: "This case shows how easily the Israelis can get away with an act of piracy."

Israeli Consul-General Gabay pointed out that White's boat had been chartered by the PLO on previous occasions — a fact of which members of the crew were believed to be aware.

One month after the seizure of White's boat, three terrorists stormed an Israeli yacht berthed in Cyprus and murdered the three passengers. "If Mr. White's passengers were innocent, as he claims, why would the PLO conduct a terrorist operation to attempt their release?" wrote Gabay. He added that the eight Arabs on White's boat had been trained for the mission in Algeria, transferred to Tunis and flown to Cyprus, ready to wreak havoc in Israel.

The eight were represented in court by lawyers of their own choice. One was sentenced to eight years, one to two years and the other six to five years each.

White's boat was confiscated in conformity with Article 74(2) of the Israeli Defence Regulations, which allows for items used in carrying out an offence to be forfeited to the Iraeli government.

Izat Nafsu is declared innocent after spending 7 years in prison

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Circassian IDF Lieutenant Izat Nafsu, who has served seven years of an 18-year sentence for espionage, treason and the sale of army equipment to the enemy, was Sunday declared innocent of all charges against him and ordered freed immediately, by the Supreme Court in Jerusalem hearing Nafsu's appeal.

Nafsu, of the Circassian village of Kafr Kama in Lower Galilee, was arrested in 1980 and found guilty of the charges against him by a military court in 1981, with the court judgment upheld by a military appeals court.

Only some months ago did the Knesset amend the military courts law, enabling soldiers to appeal military court sentences to the civilian supreme court.

At the same time, Nafsu learned that one of the General Security Service (GSS — Shin Bet) officials who had given evidence against him had admitted that the GSS had in the past falsified evidence.

Nafsu appealed to the Supreme Court, claiming that the confession on which his sentence had been based had been obtained from him by illegal means.

The court, which met in closed-door session Sunday was presided over by Supreme Court President Meir Shamgar, with Justices Eliazer Goldberg and Moshe Beisky sitting with him.

Gatherings are hailed

By
DAVID PIERSON

VANCOUVER — More than 200 women from 20 countries have been in Vancouver the past week for the conventions of the National Council of Jewish Women of Canada and the International Council of Jewish Women. The events marked the 90th anniversary of the NCJW and the 75th anniversary of the ICJW. It was the 24th biennial parley of the NCJW and the 14th triennial convention of the ICJW.

The conventions were considered so important that Vancouver Mayor Gordon Campbell proclaimed the week of May 20-27 as National Council of Jewish Women of Canada Week.

Speakers included Barbara McDougall, federal minister responsible for privatization and the status of women; Dorothy Reitman, president Canadian Jewish Congress; Israel Singer, secretary-general of the World Jewish Congress; and Rabbi Gunther Plaut, author and rabbi emeritus of Toronto's Holy Blossom Temple; Irwin Cotler, law professor at McGill University; and Jean Gerber, past associate director of CJC in Vancouver.

The two conventions hosted an array of workshops led by Canadian and U.S. experts on such issues as volunteerism, responses to racism, women and peace, Soviet Jewry, anti-semitism, and women and health.

Welcoming the delegates were Helen Marr, of Toronto, ICJW vice-president and chairman of the international convention; Ronnee Alter, of London, Ont., and Terry Goldenberg, of Toronto, co-chairman of the NCJW convention; Sheila Freeman, of Toronto, president of the NCJW; Leila Seigel, of Geneva, president of the ICJW; and Hinda Simkin, of Vancouver, convention coordinator.

VISIT FROM ENVOY'S WIFE

Shulamit Gur-Arieh (second from left), wife of the Israeli ambassador, recently visited the Hope and Cope program for cancer patients at Montreal's Jewish General Hospital. She is seen with Hope and Cope founder-chairman Sheila Kussner (left), Dr. Richard Margolese, JGH director of oncology, and Bracha Schirman, wife of the Israeli consul-general in Montreal and a Hope and Cope volunteer. [Drummond photo]

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"Cynical smile" and "eyes of a rat"

Barbie led 43 roundup of Jews, witness states

By
JTA AND UPI

LYONS, France —
A naturalized American Jew testified last week that accused "Butcher of Lyons" Klaus Barbie led a 1943 roundup of Jews, but the witness became defensive when asked details about the incident.

Polish-born Michel Thomas, 73, of New York, a former officer of American post-war intelligence, described the Feb. 9, 1943, roundup of Jews on Rue St. Catherine in Lyons.

In the roundup at the General Union for French Israelites, 86 Jews were arrested and 84 deported to concentration camps, where many died. Thomas was the only survivor who identified Barbie as having been there.

"There was no doubt, not the slightest, that this was Klaus Barbie, who led personally the roundup on the Rue St. Catherine," Thomas said, describing Barbie's "cynical smile," his "eyes of a rat" and noting one ear was higher than the other.

But when Barbie's lawyer, Jacques Verges, asked if Thomas could remember any of the names of the arrested Jews he saw at the union offices that day, Thomas responded defensively.

"I do not accept this as a valid question," he said, noting 40 years had passed. "The names are of no importance."

Barbie, who denies being at the union offices that day, is on trial for charges of crimes against humanity committed in 1943 and 1944 while he was chief of the Gestapo in Lyons in southern France.

Barbie says his department was not responsible for the deportation of Jews, but the prosecution has two telegrams signed by him reporting the 1943 roundup to the Paris Gestapo.

Thomas said he was a resistance member posing as a painter when he went to the union offices seeking young Jewish recruits for the resistance.

He said he was arrested and taken to Barbie in a back room. Thomas said he discussed painting with Barbie before convincing the Gestapo chief his false identity papers were legitimate and was released.

Thomas demanded presiding judge Andre Cerdini order the defendant to end his boycott of the trial and appear in court for an "eye-to-eye confrontation."

The judge refused.

Meanwhile, police are holding a 43-year-old man who tried to enter St. Joseph prison with a loaded pistol, apparently to kill Barbie.

Police identified the man as Christian Didier, a former taxi driver. They said he told prison guards he was a doctor sent to give Barbie a medical checkup. A metal detector revealed the pistol in his possession.

Police said Didier told them he came to the prison "to avenge Jean Moulin" the wartime French resistance leader who died under Gestapo torture. They pointed out that he is too young to have been a member of the resistance and appears to be mentally unbalanced.

In the village of Izieu, a plaque in memory of 44 Jewish children arrested there and deported to their death in Auschwitz in April, 1944, on the orders of Barbie was defaced by swastikas.

The desecration is the most serious manifestation of anti-semitism in the region since Barbie's trial opened.

Terrorists murdered 8-year-old boy, says Shamir

"Devil himself" couldn't invent adequate revenge

By
JTA & UPI

JERUSALEM —
Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, blaming the attack on terrorists, says "the devil himself" could not invent adequate revenge for the killer of an 8-year-old Jewish boy whose head was smashed with a stone.

Soldiers searched the West Bank for the killer of Rami Habah, whose body was found in a cave last week by Jewish settlers from the Elon Moreh settlement, 30 miles north of Jerusalem.

A spokesman for the Israel Defence Forces said it remained unclear whether the killing was a terrorist act or the work of a criminal. Rami's head was crushed with a stone, officials said.

"The murder was apparently carried out within the cave," said Shmuel Goren, coordinator for the Israeli-occupied territories, adding it was "reasonably possible" the child was killed by terrorists.

"An intensive effort is being made by all the security agencies," he said as soldiers searched orchards near the cave for clues and enforced an indefinite curfew on three Arab villages surrounding the settlement.

IDF Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Dan Shomron joined Maj.-Gen. Amram Mitzna, commander of the central sector to supervise the dragnet.

Soldiers also set up a roadblock outside Elon Moreh in case the killing prompted Jewish militants to seek revenge. A resident said most of the community was stunned and no incidents were reported.

"I was deeply shocked to learn about this despicable murder. Our terrorist enemies do not differentiate between women, children, soldiers and civilians. Every Jew is a target for their murderous schemes," Shamir said.

"The murderers and their dispatchers would do well to know that their evil deeds, however loathsome they are, will not budge the Jewish people from (their) land," he said. "The devil himself could not invent adequate vengeance for the death of a child."

But the settlers were not taking measures of their own, at least not before Rami was buried in a small cemetery in the settlement of Karnei Shomron, near Nablus.

Thousands of people, including government officials, attended the funeral for the second-grader.

Settlers demanded that the army step up protection.

"Today they killed my son," Israel Radio quoted Nissim Habah, the boy's father, as saying as he held the bloodied rock believed to be the murder weapon. "Tomorrow they will kill 50 children."

Shomrom met with settlement leaders. Military sources said later there was a "basic understanding" between the settlers and the army to avoid provocations.

There has been tension between the military and the settlers in the area recently since the army strictly limited the number of settlers who can visit Joseph's Tomb in Nablus at any one time.

Meanwhile, Hosni Hassan A-Saleh, mukhtar of the Arab village of Azmouth which is under curfew, condemned the "barbaric murder" and urged "the severest punishment" for the killers when caught.

Peres described as "misunderstood"

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Arab leaders to listen to him.

"Peres and the press have a mutual understanding. They will report that he talked to Arab leaders and then he will deny it."

Peres, whom Bronfman said has been a friend for more than 25 years, is "probably the most misunderstood man in the political world."

Phyllis Lambert spoke on behalf of the children, 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren of Saidye Bronfman. Edgar made the invocation. Mildred Lande, Mrs. Bronfman's niece, was the chairman of the luncheon.

Mrs. Bronfman was honored for her pioneering leadership in a wide range of community organizations and philanthropies and her support for Israel. She was also toasted by her children as the matriarch of the Bronfman clan, who passed on values which have guided them throughout their lives.

Looking spry for her years, Mrs. Bronfman responded that her personal acquaintance with Golda Meir was "an inspiration and a joy."

Mrs. Bronfman recalled Meir as one of toughest leaders Israel ever had, and as a woman who was at the same time a "warm hostess" who once cooked lunch for Mrs. Bronfman and her sister Freda Levine.

Waldheim lashes out at "brutal" U.S. lobby

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B'rith that the ban "is a declaration to the world that this nation is and will be inhospitable to persons who have acted in the way Mr. Waldheim appears to have done during the war, namely, participating in atrocities against Jews and other groups in southeastern Europe."

The Austrian president was quoted in Profil as saying: "There is a lobby on the East Coast of America which is monstrously brutal, reckless and has just one wish — to take revenge, revenge for my work as secretary-general of the United Nations, where I objectively and consequently made politics in the interest of the population of the whole world."

In that regard, Waldheim's former private secretary at the UN has charged that his actions as secretary-general during the Yom Kippur War were designed to aid the Soviet Union and its Arab allies to the detriment of Israel.

Robert Rhodes-James, who worked for Waldheim at the UN from 1972-76, said in an interview in London with The Jerusalem Post that Waldheim "failed to act impartially during the Yom Kippur War.

"He maintained a prolonged silence until the military situation changed to Israel's advantage," Rhodes-James, a historian and Conservative MP, told The Post."

"I said to him, 'You have to say something, a war is raging.' But there was no response.

"He was waiting for an indication from the Soviet Union on when his intervention would be appropriate. It was appropriate when the Soviet Union and its allies were being defeated. When they were winning, of course, he said nothing."

Rhodes-James said that in his years at the UN, he found Waldheim to be a "ranting, rude, bullying egomaniac" and that this view was shared by most of those in the secretary-general's office.

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By
MIRIAM HERMAN

OUR NEW ADDRESS

A reminder that our new address is 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont., M3C 3A1. The phone number is 422-2331.

Thursday, May 28

JEWISH-CHRISTIAN DIALOG

The next meeting of Jewish-Christian Dialog takes place Thursday, May 28, at 7.30 p.m. at Bathurst Heights Library (Bathurst and Lawrence).

For more information, call **Mary Cooper** at 221-8958.

Friday, May 29

LOLA JULITTA KANE IN CONCERT

A musical afternoon with concert pianist **Lola Julitta Kane** is set for Friday, May 29, at 2 p.m. at Cheltenham Place, 5935 Bathurst St. The program includes a wide selection of classical and popular music, tunes from musicals and films and Hebrew and Jewish folk songs.

Sunday, May 31

ADATH SHOLOM SISTERHOOD

Adath Sholom Sisterhood general meeting on Sunday, May 31, begins with breakfast at 9.30 a.m. at the synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W. Charge is $1.

Guest speaker **Rayna Knobler** of Jewish Family & Child Service, will discuss Domestic Violence — A Jewish Family Affair.

GARAGE SALE

Na'amat Pioneer Women Yamit Chapter is holding a garage sale Sunday, May 31, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 46-48 Stonedene Blvd., Willowdale. The sale features clothing and general merchandise.

Rain date is Sunday, June 7.

BETH TORAH BROTHERHOOD

At the Beth Torah Brotherhood breakfast meeting on Sunday, May 31, **Bernie Gottlieb** will talk about The Duties and Responsibilities of a Justice of the Peace and Judaism and Justice.

The time is 9.30 a.m. at the synagogue, 47 Glenbrook Ave. Everyone is welcome. For information, call the synagogue office at 782-4495.

GRANDPARENTS SUPPORT GROUP

GRAND Society (Grandparents Requesting Access and Dignity) meets on Sunday, May 31, at 1.30 p.m. at 16 Spadina Rd. Guest speaker will be a senior lawyer from the official guardian's office. This is the last meeting for the summer. The next meeting will be Sept. 27.

The focus of this group is to provide a support group in which grandparents can share their experiences and work together to find creative ways to solve the problem of changing family relationships.

TEMPLE ISRAEL, LONDON

Temple Israel in London is holding its annual general meeting on Sunday, May 31, at 7.30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre. The agenda includes election of 1987-88 executive.

GARAGE SALE FOR YOUTH ALIYAH

Proceeds from the Jordana Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO's garage sale on Sunday, May 31, will go to Youth Aliyah. So, be sure to drop by at 49 Combe Ave. from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Monday, June 1

PROPER USE OF DRUGS

Mark your calendar for Monday, June 1, and join Club Zemora Na'amat Pioneer Women for an interesting evening entitled Proper Use of Drugs with **Bob Pritchard** of Super X Drugs. Meeting starts at 8.15 p.m. Be sure to be there and bring a friend.

Call the PW office at 636-5425 for further information.

VISIT CANADIAN ARTISTS

A visit behind the scenes with major Canadian artists has been arranged by Noar Chapter Hadassah-WIZO for Monday, June 1. The day starts off at 9.30 a.m. with an exhibit at Temple Sinai and continues on to various artists' studios — sculptors **Marian Kanteroff** and **Betty Lowenstein**, painters **Harold Feist, Pedie Wolfond** and **Judy Singer** plus **Tamara Jawarska** who creates tapestries.

Lunch will be served at the home of chapter member **Susan Davidson** who has a very impressive art collection in her home which used to belong to **Lauren Harris** of the Group of Seven. The tour ends at 3 p.m.

Proceeds from this annual event go to Youth Aliyah. Tickets at $36, which includes lunch and transportation, have been presold but in case of last minute cancellations, there may be a few available. Call **Donna** at 449-1291.

RABBI ROSENBERG LECTURE

Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg's 4-lecture series on The Christian Problem, a Jewish Viewpoint, continues on Monday, June 1, from 9.15-10.15 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave.

MONDAY MAGIC

Monday MAGIC(Mothers Against Going Incredibly Crazy) meets Monday mornings from 9.30-11.30 at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. Cost of each session is $1.

Program for June 1 focuses on Middle East Update with **Mark Lane**.

For information, call 782-2248.

Tuesday, June 2

TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOTH

Tikkun Leil Shavuoth, an all-night study and discussion program fulfilling the mitzvah of studying the Torah, will be held at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., on Tuesday, June 2.

The program will begin at 8.30 p.m. with Mincha and Maariv service followed by supper. **Rabbi Wayne Allen** will lead a study session at 10.30 p.m. on Solving the Problem of Revelation. Then at 12.30 a.m. **Prof. Margo Gewurtz** will discuss On Jewish Identity: Some Reflections while Rabbi Allen will lead a class specially designed for youth on Are Scriptural References to Jesus True? How to Respond. This will provide a critical analysis of the scriptural references most used by Christian missionaries to "prove" the messiah-ship of Jesus and his anticipated coming in the Hebrew Bible.

At 2.15 a.m. **Herb Freedman** will discuss Moses As Seen From Various Perspectives. At 4 a.m. Rabbi Allen will speak about Ibn Ezra's Riddle: Is the Torah Divine? **Srul Irving Glick** will lead the congregation in song between study sessions.

At 5 a.m. there will be concluding services and breakfast.

Wednesday, June 3

CREATIVE KIDS PRE-SCHOOL

Creative Kids Pre-School is having an open house registration night on Wednesday, June 3, from 5-9 p.m. at the Dufferin-Hwy. 7 location.

The school curriculum, for ages 2½-5, includes French, Hebrew, Apple IIC computer, and kindergym. For information, call 731-7386.

And What Else Is New...

JEWEL LADIES CLUB

JEWEL (Jewish Educated Women Electing Life) is a new club for intelligent Jewish women of the 80s. It provides the opportunity to meet new friends and exchange ideas about all areas of Jewish life, particularly the family.

The club meets approximately once a month and is hosted by one of the club's members. A program with stimulating, thought-provoking speakers and entertainment is prepared for these meetings.

JEWEL is the women's club for Chabad-Lubavitch of Markham, a new dynamic organization in Thornhill. So far, the response to JEWEL has been very promising and its members are pleased with its high quality programs. For more information, call **Goldie** at 731-7000 or 881-2012.

A champagne breakfast is planned for Sunday, June 7, at 10 a.m. at Bradgate Arms, 54 Foxbar Rd. (St. Clair and Avenue Rd.) Guest speaker **Molly Resnick**, writer-producer for NBC-TV in New York, will be talking on Saturday the Producer Stayed Home. There will also be door prizes plus a preview of fall and winter fashions 1988 by Brookers and Freddy B...the spirit of esprit.

Admission is $18. RSVP by calling **Rhonda Nudelman** at 889-8743.

MEDINA THEATRE WORKSHOPS

Medina Theatre Ensemble will hold an 8-week series of workshops for actors beginning the week of June 8 at Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

Instructor **Vinetta Strombergs**, although still in her 30s, has had almost 20 years of theatre experience as performer, director, choreographer and teacher. Most recently she produced and directed a critically acclaimed all-female version of Shakespeare's Julius Caesar at Toronto Workshop Productions.

Students at all levels will be accepted and can sign up for either Monday or Tuesday evenings classes from 7.30-10.30. Because classes will be strictly limited in size, those interested are asked to call without delay, 781-1003 or 633-2057.

SHAAR SHALOM RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Shaar Shalom Religious School of Shaar Shalom Synagogue (Conservative), affiliated with the Board of Jewish Education, announces that registration is now open for the coming year, 1987-88.

Classes are from junior kindergarten through to grade 8. The curriculum includes Hebrew, Bible, prayer, holidays, history, customs, Israeli folkdancing, music and bar/bar mitzvah studies.

Students who are entering grade 1 and are unable to attend sessions twice a week (Sunday and Wednesday) will have the option of attending Sunday only. Students entering grade 3 and unable to attend sessions three times a week will can attend twice a week (Sunday and Wednesday).

For further information, contact the principal, **Joseph Klinger** at 738-1321 or 787-0197.

SUMMER VOLUNTEEN PROGRAM

Gain experience as a summer volunteen at Baycrest Centre. The centre needs young people (13-17 years) to visit with patients and residents to help on summer outings, swim classes and help in the office, for July and August.

Have fun with summer outings! Join a crew of creative volunteers who assist patients, residents and members by wheelchair and bus to various sites in Toronto such as the Ontario Science Centre, Harbourfront and picnics. Choose a day good for you, Monday to Thursday, full or half days.

For information, call 789-5131.

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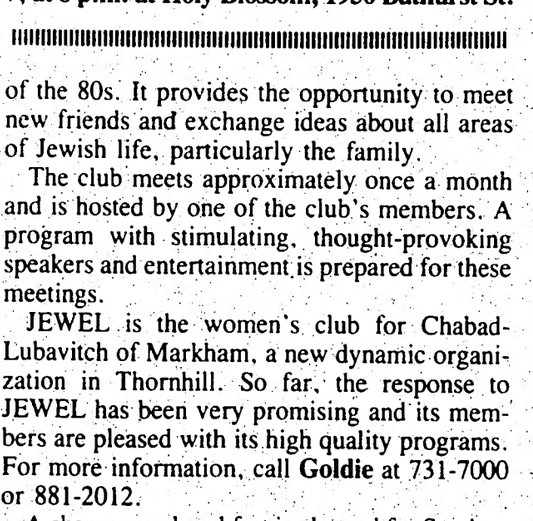

SLIDE PRESENTATION

Recently returned from a trip to the Soviet Union (from left), Dr. Jay Keystone, Marsha Slivka, co-chairman, Holy Blossom Temple Committee for Soviet Jewry, and Rabbi Steven Garten, director of education and staff person for Soviet Jewry at the temple, will be giving a slide presentation and informal discussion about their tour on Sunday, June 7, at 8 p.m. at Holy Blossom, 1950 Bathurst St.

25TH ANNIVERSARY

Preparing to celebrate the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Technion Society's 25th anniversary, as well as the establishment of a new fund, are Joan Moses (centre), organizing committee chairman, and Anne Goldman, (left) and Phyllis Chisvin. Tickets for the June 7 event, at the home of Issy and Rosalie Sharp, may be ordered at the Technion office at 789-4545.

BOOK LAUNCHING

Israel artist Yossi Stern autographs his latest work, The Golden Haggadah of Jerusalem, at a Toronto reception held recently to promote his new book. With him (from left) are Henry Campbell and Dorothy Samuel, reception co-chairmen; Carol Epstein, executive director, Canadian Friends of the Biotechnical Institute of Israel, Toronto chapter; Dr. Philip Klotz, Toronto chapter chairman, and Pauline Menkes.

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KOFFLER GALLERY ART COURSES

The Koffler Gallery School of Visual Arts, 4588 Bathurst St. is now taking registration for summer courses. The courses include design workshops, watercolor and drawing on location, evening drawing and painting, ceramics — hand-building and wheel daytime and evening, and stone sculpture daytime.

Enrol now because space is limited. For further information, contact **Rose Brinder** at 636-1880, ext. 279.

ISRAEL WEEK AT HOLY BLOSSOM

During the week of April 27-May 3, Holy Blossom Temple had many programs geared to making people more aware of the Israeli scene today. A highlight of the week was a special reception held to honor and welcome Israel's new consul-general to Toronto **Benjamin Abileah**.

Dr. Karen Mock was coordinating chairman of Israel Week. **Mark Anshan** is chairman of the temple's Israel committee.

CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS

Markham parks and recreation department is seeking visual and performing artists to participate in Celebration of the Arts 1987. The celebration is being held Aug. 15 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Markham Theatre.

The arts festival's purpose is to promote local visual and performing artists of all age groups. All those interested in participating or volunteering are asked to call the program coordinator **Lori Wells** at 881-3313.

COMMUNITY WORK DIPLOMA

George Brown College offers a diploma program in community work to persons with a strong commitment to community development, human rights and social justice. The program emphasizes community development — learning to work with community groups as an organizer, a popular educator, and an advocate.

Graduates tend to find employment with community-based social services, information and rights organizations and resource groups engaged in developing new institutions to meet community needs.

Offered for both full-time (two years) and part-time (three years) study, the program includes supervised work in the field.

Applications are being accepted now for September, 1987. To arrange for an interview, call 967-1212, ext. 4220.

SISTERHOOD LUNCHEON

Tuesday, June 9, is the date of Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood's closing luncheon for the season and general meeting.

In addition to the installation of officers and board of directors there will be a fashion show, courtesy of Yarn Over with custom designed patterns for those who knit and coutourier ensembles for those who don't.

The time is 12.30 p.m. at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St. Charge is $12 sisterhood members, $17 non-members. For reservations, call the temple office at 789-3291.

LEISURE ARTS EXHIBITION

There's still time to catch the 21st annual Leisure Arts exhibition on view at North York City Hall 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. daily until May 29.

Organized by the North York parks and recreation department, the exhibition features examples of art work and class demonstrations of more than 2,000 older adults who participate in the Leisure Arts program in North York. It includes oil paintings, water color paintings, needlecraft, rug hooking, leathercraft, pottery and quilting.

TEENAGE VOLUNTEERS

Real life includes hospitals, physically/mentally handicapped, day camps, seniors citizens recreation, performing arts, community information booths. Real life requires volunteers to keep these ventures working.

Teenage volunteers have done much to support and nourish these programs. Teenagers who wish to volunteer during the summer should phone the Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

VOLUNTEER TEACHERS FOR ISRAEL

The TOVS organization (Teachers on Volunteer Service) is urgently seeking volunteer teachers to tutor English in Israel this summer. Part-time assignments will be available at various ORT schools, WIZO centres and public schools in and near Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem. Prospective candidates must possess proper teaching certificates. Positions are available for those who speak Hebrew as well as those who teach in English only.

Departure is June 27 from New York and participants must be prepared to stay for a minimum of one month. The cost of the flight and orientation upon arrival is $953 U.S. with suggested living expenses of approximately $125 U.S. per week.

For further information, contact The Israel Aliyah Centre, 1111 Finch Ave. W., Suite 355, Downsview, Ont. M3J 2E5, or phone (416) 665-7772.

SUMMER CREATIVE ARTS FOR KIDS

Children, aged 2 and 3, can have a summer of fun in North York parks and recreation department's Summer Creative Arts program held at Hillcrest Library, 5801 Leslie St.

Children can participate on Wednesdays or Thursdays from 10-11.30 a.m. The program runs for six weeks, beginning the week of July 6. Cost is $30 per child for one day a week or $60 per child for both days a week.

Registration will be accepted Thursday, May 28, from 7-8 p.m. at Hillcrest Library. For more information, call 441-2678.

YOGA LUNCH-TIME CLASS

A yoga program for men and women is available during lunch hour in the Mt. Pleasant-Eglinton area. This class, sponsored by the Third Floor Community Centre, is offered Mondays and Thursdays from 12.15 -1 p.m. and 1.15-2 p.m., instructed by a qualified teacher. Cost is $40 for 8 classes.

Call **Susan** or **Cathy** at 487-4096 for further information and registration.

at the jcc

The JCC North-East Valley Singles Network is planning a drop-in house party at the home of **Fran Dalal** in Thornhill on Saturday, May 30, at 8.30 p.m. Refreshments and music will be available as well as a relaxed atmosphere. Charge is $3 members with cards, $5 non-members.

RSVP by calling **Fran** at 731-5664 evenings, or **Sally** at the Valley office at 889-0813...Don't forget Sunday, June 7, is the date of the Reggae Rythms dance. Enjoy all the tunes you love to dance to. A disc jockey will play some exciting Reggae and other danceable music. Refreshments and good times will be available. The time is 8.30 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Cost is $4 members with cards, $6 non-members. For information, call **Sally** at the Valley office at 889-0813.

Let the springtime rays warm you up to the hottest event of the year, the Heat of the Night Sundance, at the Bloor Y branch of the Jewish Community Centre, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor). The action begins at 8 p.m. and bakes up to an inferno by midnight. Be cool, be there on Sunday, May 31. Tickets are $8 JCC members, $10 non-members. They are available at north and Bloor Ys and at the door. For information, call the Bloor Y at 924-6211.

for seniors

The City of York has proclaimed the month of June as Senior Citizens' Month in recognition of the invaluable contribution seniors make to the community.

On Thursday, May 28, prepare yourself for the receiving of the Torah at a pre-Shavuoth concert with **Cantor David Nemtzov** at the **Bloor Y Good Age Club**, 750 Spadina Ave., at 2 p.m...Then, on Tuesday, June 2, start the month with fun activities with Bloor Y's **Coffee House 60** at 1 p.m. There will be no seniors activities at the Bloor Y on Thursday, June 4, due to the Shavuot holiday. For information about Bloor Y seniors' programs, programs, contact **Sarah Casse** at 924-6211.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club reports that applications are being taken for the Catskills trip July 20-29...The Chai Dancers will perform at the Monday, June 8, meeting at 1 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Charge is $2.50 members, $3 guests...The Israeli trip Nov. 4-25, is a special trip sponsored by Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club and the JCC Senior Adult Group. For information, call **Lena Sugar** at 785-5773 or **Ruth Eknowitz** at 224-5923.

At the **Holy Blossom Temple Alumni** luncheon on Wednesday, June 10, guest artist **Amy Gilbert** will entertain in a program of songs. The time is 12.30 p.m. Cost is $7. Reserve in advance by calling the temple office at 789-3291.

JCC North-East Valley Club Chaverim, 7015 Leslie St., holds meetings every Monday afternoon (excluding holidays) from 1-3 p.m. Come out and join this congenial group for bingo, games, movies, speakers and entertainment. For more information, call **Sally** at the Valley office at 889-0813.

Beth Tzedec Friendship Club Plus 50's musicalle luncheon on Tuesday, June 2, at 12.30 p.m. features soprano **Cynthia Raskin**, who has performed in New York, London, Salzburg and Vienna, and pianist **Ruth Morawetz**. The charge is $5.50. Reservations are necessary, so call early! The number is 781-3511.

From now on, all seniors will be admitted free to Puck's Farm any time. Included will be free hay rides around the farm, which is located in Schomberg. The farm is open daily from May to October at 10 a.m. Call for seasonal closing times, directions and details. The number is (416) 859-4330.

LZA Seniors Club meets daily from noon to 4 p.m. at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. Members enjoy an afternoon of cards, chess and shuffleboard...Every Tuesday morning at 10, the Cultural Club discusses a topic of current interest. On Tuesday, June 2, **Etty Rubenstein** will speak on the 20th Anniversary of the Reunification of Jersualem.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave., part 2 of the film, South Pacific, will be shown on Sunday, May 31, from 2-3 p.m. in the Assembly Room.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

The Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) in cooperation with the North York Board of Continuing Education is featuring several events during the month of June —

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WELCOMING THE TROUPE

Rose Cohen, past chairman of the Patient's Advisory Council at Baycrest Hospital, greets Israeli military captains Roni Ben Shoshan (left) and Oded Eylon, active soldiers and members of a 7-person performing troupe which entertained 250 residents at Baycrest Centre recently. The tour, sponsored by the Association for the Welfare of Soldiers in Israel, continues in Miami and New York.

KNITTING FOR CHARITY

Annie Bernick is surrounded by the lap robes, carriage covers, slipper socks and sweaters she knitted for the Shaare Zedek Medical Centre of Jerusalem. Her work will be brought to the hospital at the end of May where the lap robes and slippers will be given to needly patients and the other items sold in the gift shop. Mrs. Bernick donates the proceeds of other items which she knits and sells in Toronto to the hospital and other charities. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Organizations and People

Ideal opportunity, says Crombie

Fitweek participation urged

OTTAWA — David Crombie, secretary of state and minister responsible for multiculturalism, recently extended a "special invitation" to all multicultural groups and organizations to take an active part in Canada's Fitweek, which is running to May 31.

Organized by Fitness Canada in cooperation with the provincial governments and various national sports and recreation organizations, Canada's Fitweek, which is in its 5th year, is a celebration of physical activity in which Canadians are invited to participate.

"Many cultural groups in Canada have not only their own traditional dances, but also games and sports that are typical of their respective cultures," Crombie said. "Canada's Fitweek is the ideal opportunity to demonstrate and perhaps to rediscover this aspect of our cultural heritage."

Last year, approximately 12,500 events were organized across the country as part of this week of physical activity, involving some 6 million Canadians.

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The Artist and His Time with **Tom Pillegi**, an ongoing lecture series with slides and a visit to the art gallery (if possible) on Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to noon.

Book Club with **Rosalind Kates** on Thursday, 3-5 p.m. (small charge for photocopy materials).

Creative Writing with **Maria Gould**, 10 classes starting Friday, June 12, from 10-noon.

There is no fee for members or seniors. Non-members under 65 are charged $2 per session

Build confidence in your driving skills by attending the refresher driving course with **Gord Keenan** running for five 2-hour sessions on Mondays, June 8-July 6, from 1.30-3.30 p.m. The course covers a review of rules of the road, defensive driving techniques, brush-up for road re-test at the Ontario ministry of transport and communications, how to buy a car and car repairs and maintenance. The course is free to all members and seniors. Non-members under 65 will be charged $2 per session. For information, contact **Norma Steiner** at 225-2112.

The Sunday program on May 31 at 2 p.m. features the movie, The Color Purple. Admission is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

There is bingo every Sunday at 12:30 p.m. in the Music Room. Charge is 50c members, $1 non-members.

The centre will be closed Wednesday, June 3, and Thursday, June 4, for Shavuot.

singles events

Singles Events is an advertising feature of The Canadian Jewish News. For information on rates and deadlines please call Karen at 422-2528.

By membership only. Party for professionals and university graduates. Saturday, June 13th. Toronto Press Club. For membership information call: High Society 783-8520.

Metro Toronto Singles Presents: Saturday Night Party at Parkview Club, Leslie/Eglinton across from Inn On The Park. May 30, 9:00 p.m. $7.00 Sid 222-7111.

J.C.C. N.E. Valley Singles House Party, Saturday, May 30, 8:30 p.m. $3.00 members, $5.00 non-members. Refreshments. R.S.V.P. for location. Fran 731-5664 or Sally 889-0813.

Let the springtime rays warm you up to the hottest event of the year. The Heat of the Night. Sundance at the Bloor "Y" Branch of the J.C.C., 750 Spadina Ave. The action begins to sizzle at 8 p.m. and bakes up to an inferno by midnight. $8 J.C.C. members, $10 non-members. Be cool. Be there. Sunday, May 31st. Tickets on sale at the North and Bloor branches of the J.C.C. and at the door.

Beth Tikvah "Chai" Singles Group (35 and over) announces that this Sunday, May 31, at 8 p.m. it will be Dance Time Again! We'll feature a "Farewell to Winter Dance Night and say goodbye to the Winter blahs." Come join us in an evening of dancing to live music with Eddie & his Band, delicious refreshments and a chance to meet the beautiful people of our Singles' world. The Spring weather should be an inducement to all of us. So, let's get together and enjoy ourselves to the fullest. This event will take place at the Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Avenue. Admission is $7 for members and $10 for visitors.

About People

SYNAGOGUE OFFICERS

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am's newly elected officers are headed by **Norman Silver**, president, with **Shirley Zuckerbrot, Henry Ritchie** and **Gerry Sigal**, 1st, 2nd and 3rd vice-presidents respectively; **Jean Bernholtz**, secretary; **Glen Bowman**, treasurer; **Daryl Beber, Alex Eisen** and **Dr. William Shelson**, trustees and **David Shaul**, immediate past president.

SIMON FRASER U APPOINTMENT

Samuel Belzberg of Vancouver has been appointed chairman of Simon Fraser University's Bridge to the Future Campaign.

The Bridge to the Future Campaign is securing extraordinary gifts to advance the research, teaching and service programs of the university located in Burnaby, BC.

One of Canada's foremost business executives, Mr. Belzberg serves on the boards of several companies and such diverse organizations as the International banking centre, the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, the Vancouver Arts, Sciences and Technology Centre and Yeshiva University in Los Angeles, California.

DR. GRANDMA

Dr. Grandma is what **Dorothy Sone's** grandchildren have been calling her, particularly since the 68-year-old Torontonian will receive her PhD in education at the University of Toronto's convocation June 9.

Dorothy Sone

A returning student who started 13 years ago and has since earned her Bachelor of Arts degree, her Masters in education and now her Doctorate, Mrs. Sone focused her interest entirely on education. Her doctoral thesis dealt with university education for senior citizens that leads to degrees.

Through the years she has been involved in teaching English as a second language at Seneca College, active at Adath Israel Synagogue as education chairman of the school wing when her three children were students there, coordinated a seniors volunteer service to other seniors for the ministry of community and social services and also coordinated the Elderhostel program for Humber College.

Her pharmacist husband **Abby** is also a special student and they take one course together each year.

BETH TIKVAH'S NEW RABBI

Rabbi Wayne Allen will assume the position of rabbi at Beth Tikvah Synagogue on June 1. He, his wife **Patti**, and their children **Joshua, Aviva** and **Shoshana** will be coming up from Lakewood, Calif., where Rabbi Allen held his latest pulpit.

Rabbi Wayne Allen

Rabbi Allen was ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. A doctorate of Hebrew letters candidate in codes and rabbinic literature, he has a strong interest in adult education and has been instructor at the University of Judaism and its Elderhostel. He was educational director of Camp Ramah in California for four years and has chaired the community's Oppressed Jewry Committee since 1979.

Rabbi Allen is the author of many scholarly articles and several liturgical aids including an award-winning manual for bar mitzvah preparations for parents.

Beth Tikvah Synagogue
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221-3433

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Canada doing its part, says Crombie

Refuseniks' plight "moral, political challenge"

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —
The plight of tens of thousands of Soviet Refuseniks is "a major moral and political challenge of our time," Canada's secretary of state said here recently.

David Crombie, who is also responsible for citizenship, told about 100 people at the 4th annual spring event sponsored by National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section and the Committee for Soviet Jewry, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, that Canada continues to play its part in making the hope for a new life in Israel a reality.

"Our government recognizes the importance of supporting and encouraging any and all Soviet moves to free dissidents and Refuseniks....We are proud when pressure from the Canadian government brings freedom to a dissident, as it did recently to Danylo Shumak, the Ukrainian dissident who has spent the last 34 years in prison camps and labor camps.

"Joe Clark's success in convincing the Soviets to let Shumuk go is a triumph that should be shared, not just by all Canadians, but by all people everywhere in the world who cherish freedom for themselves and for others."

Crombie said that Canada's own history has been blemished by racism — times when the country's "human spirit" failed it.

He cited specifically the time before and during the Second World War when Canada as well as other nations turned a blind eye to "Jewish orphans" who later perished under Hitler. Another example was during the 1880s when 15,000 Chinese men came here to help build the Canadian Pacific Railway. The year it was completed (1885), a $50 head tax (later boosted to $500) was imposed on them.

"We are a mature enough people to learn about the past so that we can learn from it," he said, adding that authors Irving Abella and Harold Troper, in their book, None is Too Many, "forced us to acknowledge that this country behaved badly at a crucial point in (Jewish) history."

Crombie stressed that racism is far from dead; that its most dangerous element is that it doen't need costumes — like the white sheets of the Ku Klux Klan — or signs. Racism can exist "wherever people erect walls that separate 'us' from 'them', wherever one race or religion or culture is sterotyped so that the individual humanity of its members can be dismissed by others."

He said that the plight of Refuseniks is a reminder that a world power still thinks that anti-semitism is a fit tool for internal control and international bargaining.

He stressed that Canada, which this year marks the 40th anniversary of granting citizenship (until 1947 residents of Canada were British subjects), cannot remake the history but it can pay "a fraction of what we owe the past."

This payment comes in the form of refusing to be silent, refusing to ignore the plight of Refuseniks and refusing to believe that they are a problem that has been solved.

Eti Young, chairman of the National Council's World Jewry Committee, said that council which has adopted both the Royak and Lieberman families of Bendery, Moldavia, follows the lives of their adopted Refusenik families as they live their lives in Refusal.

"Their struggle inspires our commitment ... Only by the record of improvement of Jews will Soviets show the real intent of (Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's) glasnost."

Young announced the names of 16 Moldavian Refusenik families and as she did so, former Soviet Refusenik Alexander Mariasin gave copies of the International Bill of Human Rights — the predecessor to the Helsinki Accords — to dignitaries, who will mail the document to the inscribed Refusenik.

Eti Young, chairman of the World Jewry Committee of National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section, shows David Crombie, federal secretary of state, a poster of council's adopted Refusenik Royak family. Looking on are Wendy Litwack (left) and Marsha Slavens, co-chairmen of the Committee for Soviet Jewry, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region. [Wendy Rosen photo]

Refuse to be content

However, Crombie cautioned against gullibly believing Soviet propaganda campaigns behind which Refuseniks and dissidents are still being harassed and confined.

"There is a wall. The fact that one or a dozen people are permitted to squeeze through cannot blind us to the wall's existence," he said.

"We must remain steadfast and refuse to be content until the barriers to freedom are down and people go as they decide and not as the state decides for them."

Crombie said the plight of Refuseniks has no more eloquent a supporter than Stephen Lewis, Canada's ambassador to the United Nations, The former Toronto mayor quoted from a recent Lewis speech in which he told the General Assembly: "Jews have suffered from a systematic and methodical campaign to obliterate their culture, language and religious heritage.

"Those who attempt to emigrate are targets of intimidations, trumped up prosecutions, incarcerations in psychiatric hosptials, internal exile and imprisonment in work camps."

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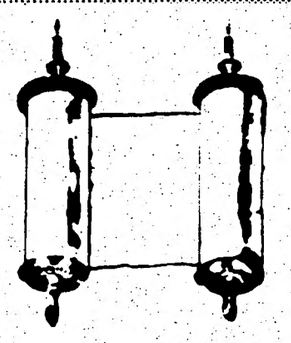

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Shavuot 5747

Torah is wisdom, Torah is kindness — and Torah is sharpness.

One of the sharpest was Reb Aizel Charif. Charif, in fact, means sharp, clever, witty.

Once Reb Aizel Charif authored a scholarly sefer, and as was the custom, sent it around to the Jews of his community to purchase. An enemy from among the baalei batim (community financial supporters) sent back the book with a measly five rubles — a double slap in the face.

A few days later, Reb Aizel met the man at a bris, and shook his hand warmly. The man was astounded! He expected an icy shoulder, an insult — but this "yasher koach?"

Reb Aizel saw his puzzlement and explained: "You did me a great favor!

"When the Almighty wanted to give His Torah, He went from pagan nation to pagan nation — do you want my Torah? They shook their heads. God's word was truth, His Torah truth." What business did they have with truth? Until finally, the Jews accepted the Torah.

"Now," continued Reb Aizel, "I was quite worried about my sefer. Was it truth I was writing? I sent it out to various rabbis and scholars, and they all sent back warm letters of congratulations. But I was afraid — maybe I was so warmly received because my words were mistaken! If God's truth was rejected, why not mine?

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If you accept my Torah, good. If you accept my faith, good. If you have something to believe in, if you have something to live for, if you have a vision, an inspiration, a way of life, a meaning, good!

But if not . . . If you reject Torah. If you reject faith. If what you see and feel and touch and eat and want and take pleasure in, is all there is, then. . . .

"Sham te'hay kivuraschem! There you will be buried with your own loneliness and depression and sadness and wandering and marriage failure and alienation of children from parents! What is there but faith and good deeds, and mitzvahs and seeking out God's will?

Torah is life.

* * *

Once a chassid returned from celebrating Shavuot with the Kotzker Rebbe. "Nu," demanded his father-in-law, "how did they accept the Torah in Kotzk?"

"By you, when it says "Thou shalt not rob," it means you should not rob others. At Kotzk they teach you should not rob yourself. . . ." (Yiddish: Du zolst zich alein nisht baganvenen. . . ."

Shabbat Shalom and Chag Sameach!

"Frank and open" talks with Soviets

BB, 7 ambassadors discuss rights

TORONTO —

A 4-person B'nai Brith delegation discussed human rights issues last week with seven ambassadors in Ottawa including the Soviet Union's Alexei Rodionov.

Marilyn Wainberg, chairman of BB's Institute for International and Governmental Affairs, called the 45-minute meeting with Rodionov, "a manifestation in Canada of the new Soviet policy of 'glasnost'."

She said the delegation, which in addition to herself was composed of BB president-elect Ralph Snow, executive vice-president Frank Dimant and Richard Ross, director of government relations, was warmly received by the ambassador.

"A frank and open discussion took place regarding the concerns of the Jewish community," she said, adding that nuclear disarmament and cultural exchanges were also discussed.

"It was an initial meeting in what we hope to be an ongoing dialogue."

The delegation also met with the ambassadors of Spain, Argentina, the Netherlands, Costa Rica, Romania and Hungary as well as senior officials of the delegations of Japan and Uruguay.

Although the content of the discussions is confidential, these diplomatic efforts — part of the ongoing meetings with diplomats, MPs, senators and civil servants — usually include such topics as refugee legislation, anti-semitism, Holocaust denial, the Helsinki Accords and reunification of families.

The Institute's steering committee is composed of: Wainberg; Snow; Dimant; Ross; BB national president Harry Bick; Phillip Leon, chairman of the League for Human Rights; Ted Greenfield, co-chairman BB International Council; and public affairs director Ellen Kachuck Rosenbluth.

Snow said that the Institute "deals with those highly sensitive issues involving the welfare of our people internationally . . . . Quiet diplomacy is certainly an integral component of the humanitarian work of the organization."

Among the various initiatives of the Institute is a BB board of governors mission to Romania, Hungary and Jerusalem for discussions with government officials.

Ontario launches education campaign on aging, seniors

TORONTO —

To encourage a more positive attitude towards aging and senior citizens, the Ontario government has launched a public education campaign.

The program includes a full range of public education initiatives which is being developed by a committee established by the ministry of community and social services. It includes representatives from seniors groups, service provider agencies, volunteer organizations and government ministries.

"Our seniors are an integral part of our society, and they have contributed a great deal to building Ontario," John Sweeney, minister of community and social services, said in announcing the campaign. "We must make certain that this province is both home and haven to them in every way, and that they continue to be full participating members of the community."

A 60-second television commercial has been produced in English and French to remind people that one does not suddenly become old at 65.

"The timing for the commercial is most appropriate since it leads us into Senior Citizens' Month, which is held in June each year," Ron Van Horne, minister for senior citizens' affairs, said.

The second phase of the campaign will promote the importance of volunteers. One of the key initiatives will be the production of audio-visual presentations to be used by volunteer bureaus across the province to present the varied roles in which volunteers can serve the community.

The need to promote a more positive image of the elderly and to recognize and support the role of volunteers was outlined in the government's White Paper, A New Agenda, which dealt with health and social service strategies for Ontario's seniors.

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High calibre team gratifies UJA co-chairmen

Lederman, Sheff welcome leadership colleagues

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —
Harold Lederman and Gerald Sheff, United Jewish Appeal 1988 campaign co-chairmen, welcomed 125 of their leadership colleagues recently at an informal reception at the Bradgate Arms.

Attending were chairmen, co-chairmen and associate chairmen representing every division — veterans and newcomers to the leadership ranks alike.

Lederman led off the proceedings with a tribute to the 1987 campaign chairmen, Max Handelman and Adrienne Offman, "whose efforts will be remembered not only in terms of results, which were historic, but also for the special flair" they brought to their campaign performance.

The goal for the coming campaign, said Lederman, is to build on the success of last year by broadening the base of involvement by more men and women in the community and continuing on the theme of making UJA a "people" campaign.

Gerald Sheff reiterated the unique role of UJA and its primacy in "filling the needs and improving the quality of life" for Jews in distress everywhere.

"That's what has always been at the core of UJA and that's what makes it different from everything else."

Both Lederman and Sheff expressed their extreme pleasure at the exceptional turnout "at this early date" and for the high calibre of the campaign team, which they say bodes well for what must be achieved in the months ahead.

Some of the "high calibre" leadership singled out for mention included: Advanced Gifts chairmen Edward Bronfman and Joel Greisman; Marty Goldberg and Michael Shulman, Major Gifts chairmen; women's campaign chairman Judy Scheininger; Dr. Howard Stevens who steps in as health professional chairman; Sam Schwartz and Lloyd Weiss, co-chairmen of the Financial and Professional services divisions; Harry Binder, Societies; David Stokes, Synagogues.

Also cited were David Engel and Glennie Lindenberg who will be chairing the recently formed New Leadership Council; Elizabeth Wolfe, who after a year in Israel, has taken on the chairmanship for canvasser education and training.

It was also noted that the venerable David Green, UJA's Canvasser of the Year for 1986, will be spending the summer in Israel as a "volunteer," or as Lederman announced, "David's going to camp."

Gerald Sheff and Harold Lederman, 1988 United Jewish Appeal campaign chairmen, announce "all systems in place" for the months ahead. [Graphic Artists photo]

Business issues at Update 87

TORONTO —
"New perspectives in a changing business world" is the theme for Update 87, scheduled for Wednesday, June 10 at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, organized by the Professional Advisory Committee of the United Jewish Welfare Fund/Toronto Jewish Congress Endowment Fund.

The annual seminars, geared to lawyers, accountants and life underwriters, have in the past dealt almost exclusively with tax legislation, estate planning and more recently family law reform.

Update 87 will zero in on issues and aspects of managerial, ethical and business practices.

Keynote speaker is John Trevor Eyton, president and chief executive officer of Brascan Limited, whose subject will be "Mistakes I have made and other valuable lessons."

Principal participants include Joseph Dickstein, who will devote his address to "Revolutionary changes in the insurance industry and the resulting dramatic product innovations;" Larry L. Levine, whose topic will cover a review of the law relating to the rights and obligations of a departing partner or employee within the context of a professional practice; Louis H. Milrad, who will examine "Various business and legal issues pertaining to the acquisition of a computer system;" and Albert M. Lando, whose portion of the program concerns "The role of lawyers, accountants, estate planners and other professional consultants in the boom-and-bust tendencies of the economy."

Cost for the day, including lunch, is $90. A reduced fee of $50 is offered to students as well as lawyers and accountants in first year of practice.

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Prevention theme of Mount Sinai open house

By
PAUL LUNGEN
TORONTO —

Think of a hospital and most people will conjure up a setting where those already ill or injured must go to be treated.

But at an open house at the Mt. Sinai Hospital last week, the emphasis was quite different. Prevention, Take Charge of Your Health was the theme, as a number of hospital departments set up information booths to impart to visitors the old bromide: An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Manned by hospital nurses, the information booths offered literature, *video presentations* and first hand advice on home health care and the role the hospital plays in ensuring good health.

The open house, held in the main lobby of the hospital, coincided with Canada Health Day, a yearly event set by the Canadian Public Health Association and the Canadian Hospital Association; Nursing Week, which illustrates the contribution of nurses to health care; and Focus Week, a showcase for Toronto Jewish Congress/United Jewish Appeal programs and institutions.

(Mt. Sinai is not funded by UJA, according to UJA spokesperson Esther Mehr.)

Visitors to the modern University Ave. facility were treated to information on prevention of serious conditions through timely tests for: high blood pressure (a nurse was on hand to test visitor's pressure); breast self-examinations (a video illustrated how it is done); child safety and immunization (again, prevention of problems was the focus); and AIDS awareness.

Mt. Sinai is unique in offering a Clinic for AIDS-Related Concerns where psychological-psychiatric services are provided to persons suffering from the disease, their families and even those who are worried they may have been infected.

The clinic provides consultation, assessment and ongoing therapy in an individual, couple or group setting. It also refers clients to other related departments in the hospital.

Busiest facility

While the AIDS clinic might have the highest profile, the hospital's Family Practice Unit is the busiest ambulatory care facility in the hospital.

The unit provides health care for 28-30,000 patients, according to Barbara Smith, a nuring unit administrator manning the unit's booth.

The unit sees many young families, singles and single parent families in the downtown core, providing all-encompassing medical care for them, including dental, ear, nose and throat clinic and nutrition counseling, she said.

The unit also deals with the touchy topic of immunization for diseases such as polio, diptheria and whooping cough.

Statistics show that the danger from the diseases if not immunized far exceed the dangers of adverse reactions to the vaccines, she said.

Other booths at the open house dealt with awareness of medication (such as insulin, chemotherapy, diet and arthritis), on nutrition, hearing disorders, birth control and sexually transmitted diseases.

Here's a quiz to test your knowledge of a number of health-related topics:

1. Skipping meals is a good way to lose weight. True or false.
2. Margarine has fewer calories than butter. True or false.
3. Pasta, bread and milk are fattening foods. True or false.
4. Granola is a nutritious low calorie food. True or false.
5. A croissant has twice as many claories as one slice of toast with peanut butter. True or false.
6. Temporary hearing loss may 'bounce' back. True or false.
7. Most earmuffs provide better sound protection than most earplugs. True or false.

Answers:

1. False. Research indicates when only one or two large meals are eaten daily, the body accumulates more fat than when the same number of calories are consumed as small, frequent meals.
2. False. Butter and margarine provide the same number of calories — 35 per teaspoon — so use either sparingly.
3. False. No one food is "fattening" or "slimming. When calories consumed exceed calories required, the excess is stored as fat, even when it comes from cottage cheese and not chips.
4. False. Granola is loaded with sugar and fat. Half a cup contains 250 calories, versus 70 for the same size serving of oat-meal porridge.
5. True. One slice of toast with one portion pack of peanut butter provides 170 calories versus 400 for a plain croissant.
6. True. Temporary hearing loss may bounce back.
7. True. Earmuffs provide better sound protection than most earplugs.

Health-related information was available for the public at a number of booths staffed by nurses as the Mt. Sinai Hospital participated in Canada Health Day.

Zaglembier Society maintains support for Massuah

When the MASSUAH school of Holocaust studies in Israel was developed 15 years ago, the Men's Society and Ladies' Auxiliary of the **Zaglembier Society** of Toronto were among the initial; major supporters. They have reaffirmed their support for this world-famous institution by announcing a very generous commitment for the new MASSUAH "CANADA HOUSE" audio-visual centre which is now being established.

Executive members **David Bleeman, Peter Ferens, Alter Pomocnik** and **Regina Eisenstein** presented their pledge to **Alex Grossman**, one of the founders of MASSUAH.

In congratulating the **Zaglembier Society**, Mr. Grossman urged other Landsmanshaften and Societies to participate in this fulfilling endeavor.

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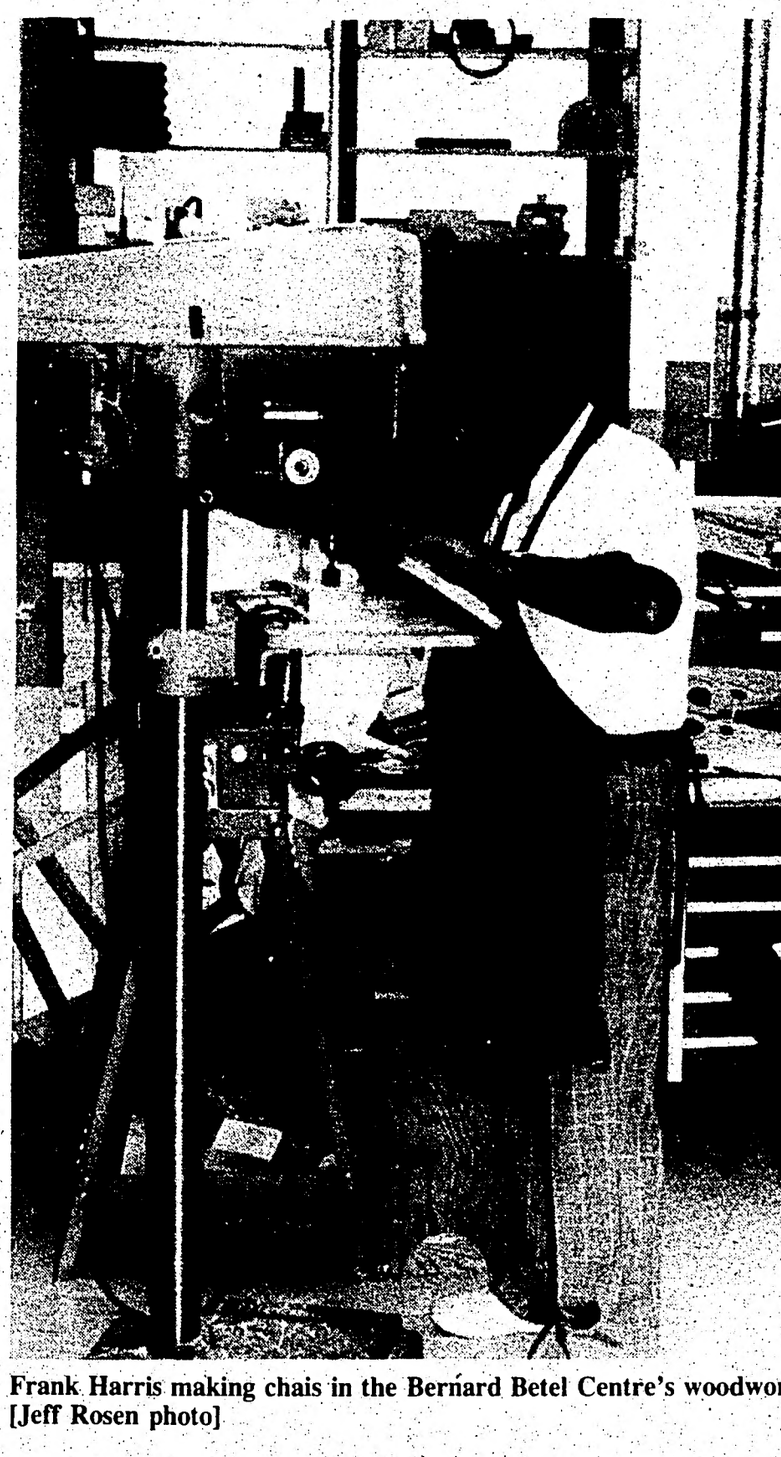

Frank Harris making chais in the Bernard Betel Centre's woodworking shop. [Jeff Rosen photo]

TORONTO —

There's no shortage of activities for seniors to take part in, as any visitor to the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living could see during the recent Focus Week.

Staff and volunteers were on hand at the centre to act as tour guides and answer questions about the centre's many programs. Rhea Shulman, executive director of the Bernard Betel Centre, said the purpose of the open house was to let the Jewish community get a better understanding of what is going on at the agency.

During one tour Ilonka Teglasi, a summer student at the centre, handed out copies of The Monitor, a booklet outlining the centre's programs, and pointed out the wide range of recreational, educational, cultural and social activities offered.

She said dance classes always draw a large crowd and Sunday dances are quite popular. During the tour, seniors were busy in dance and exercise classes, creating pottery and sculpting chais in the woodworking shop.

Among the artisans using the woodworking tools was Frank Harris, who has been at the workworking shop every day for the past two weeks and Bill Wallensky, who runs the shop.

The centre's programs also include weaving, Hebrew, macrame, knitting and crochet, bowling, effective leadership, bridge, rug hooking, needlepoint, quilting, painting, drawing, discussion group, musical variety show, yoga, choral group, Yiddish reading and human relations courses.

Teglasi said the health services clinic has a chiropractor, podiatrist and hearing specialist. It also includes a legal clinic and an eye clinic.

Teglasi said volunteers play an important role at the centre as advisors and teachers.

The centre is open daily for members 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Membership is $36 a year.

The centre is funded by the Ontario ministry of community and social services, Metro Community Services, United Way, the Toronto Jewish Congress and through special grants and fund raising efforts of the centre's board and membership.

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Organizations and People

Herb Rosenfeld acclaimed new TJC president

Appleby lists challenges facing organization

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

Herb Rosenfeld was acclaimed president of the Toronto Jewish Congress at last week's 12th annual meeting held at Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

He succeeds Ronald Appleby.

The nominating committee's slate of officers was also elected by acclamation. Vice-presidents are Phil Alter, Michael Benjamin, Jack Chisvin, Marty Goldberg, Henry Koschitzky, Penny Offman and Les Scheininger.

Other officers are: Aaron Brotman, treasurer; Richard Krelstein, assistant treasurer; Gella Rothstein; secretary; Julia Koschitzky, assistant secretary; Martin Sable, honorary legal counsel and Joseph B. Salsberg, honorary officer.

collective memories with the community.

"It's easy to be king with a good staff ... and at TJC we also have the finest group of officers. We worked as one body and shared responsibility."

The outgoing president offered advice, direction and guidance to his successor, which he referred to as a Jewish obligation to plan and prepare.

Appleby said that in accepting the responsibility of building and pulling together pieces of the community, there are certain aspects which cry out for attention.

With respect to pluralism, TJC has played a role and has to play a leadership role in finding paths to emphasize the Jewish common history and destiny.

"I'm not asking for compromises but (for people) to work together in common ... don't let our community be torn apart."

There are Jewish groups in the community reaching out to TJC for help and "we could work together to enhance the community." He listed the Sephardic and Russian Jewish communities as well as the Israelis living in Toronto.

Herb Rosenfeld

Appleby said that at the adult level, there is a gap which must be filled to build community. (He had pointed out earlier that one of every two children attends a Jewish day school.)

Other organizations are trying to fill that void, he said, adding that TJC should be playing a role as well.

"We are not a full community until you reach out and touch everyone ... the handicapped, the singles, the divorced ...."

Another area of concern for TJC is its fund raising arm, the United Jewish Appeal. Appleby said that it is the prime, outstanding way to be involved in community but that unfortunately there is a move afoot within some UJA-supported agencies and organizations, and which TJC must fight, to breach the arrangement whereby the UJA campaign is the only one which can run from September to December.

Appleby's last priority was the need to be more creative in building bridges and sharing "our lives with Israel."

He suggested that community missions to Israel, like the one he went on, should be on TJC's annual agenda and not just a special event.

He called his experience as one of 160 Jews on the recent community mission to Israel an intensive learning experience.

"I discovered on that mission that in every Jewish person there is a spark, a Jewish soul, a desire to enhance the quality of life as a Jew.

"TJC must find a way to make that spark into a flame."

At the meeting, Michael Benjamin presented eight community volunters with the Shem Tov Award for excellence in volunteerism. This is the inaugural year for the award which will be presented annually.

This year's honorees are Yale Drazin, Valerie Fine, Edwin Goldstein, Dr. Lou Myers, Martin Sable, Didi Urbach, Sandy Brown and Judy Gwartz.

Appleby presented the Leadership Development Award to Gerald Richler and Elaine Todres. Dr. Arnold Epstein presented the Ben Sadowski Award of Merit to Murray Koffler.

Keynote speaker was Mark Talisman, director of the Council of Jewish Federations' Washington Action Office. His address was sponsored by the Harry Posen Memorial Fund — created by his family and friends through TJC's Bequest and Endowment Fund.

A report on his speech will appear in the next issue of The CJN.

Common dreams shared

In his president's report which reviewed his 2-year term of office, Appleby outlined in what he termed a Jewish way — "look back, pause and then look forward" — the fundamental challenges facing TJC.

"Each of us as an individual as Jews is a better person, a better Canadian ... only by being as complete a Jew as we can. It is also clear that you're only wholly Jewish when you're part of the community — that's the key word."

He said that as Jewish sages say that collective prayers are heard more than those of the individual, a Jew without community is like a withered branch without history or destiny.

Tradition says Jews stood together at Mt. Sinai, built the Temple together and "marched down the dark road of exile and persecution together.

"As a community, we share dreams and aspirations."

He said that the goal and challenge of TJC should be to build the Jewish community — "to shape it, to mold it, to pull all the parts together."

In the past few years, TJC has built a little more caring into the community. Among the physical manifestations of this caring are the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, the recently opened Elm Ridge Group Living Residence, TJC's new human resources department which reaches out to volunteers in the community and the Jewish Women's Federation.

"We built and enhanced relations with a whole network of organizations."

Appleby said the presidency was satisfying for him as he had the opportunity to "share those

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Organizations and People

Conservative challenger in Oriole riding

Fredelle hopes to make Brief work of Elinor

The CJN's pre-Election Watch series on Jewish candidates looks at the provincial riding of Oriole.

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By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

In the 1985 provincial election Liberal MPP for Oriole Elinor Caplan made political history in Ontario when she became the first Jewish woman to win a seat in the Ontario Legislature.

In the next election no less than five Jewish women from different political parties will vie for seats in the provincial parliament, including former Canadian Jewish Congress staff associate Fredelle Brief, who hopes to return Oriole to the Conservative fold.

A Conservative stronghold since its inception in 1975, Oriole went Liberal last time around when Caplan defeated 10-year incumbent John Williams with a plurality of over 4,000 votes. While Williams vowed to return "to do battle again" after being defeated, this time out Fredelle Brief will carry the torch for the PC Party.

"I'm a community based person who has always worked for non-governmental or quasi-governmental agencies and I now want to be involved in making policy," Brief told The CJN. "I have wide of experience that tells me about relationships within communities."

She is married to Harold Brief, a chartered accountant and partner in the firm of Brief, Rotfarb, Wynberg, Cappe, Chartered Accountants. They have three children: Sam, 21, Rachel, 19, Elana, 16.

As well as extensive involvement in the Jewish community through her employment, Brief has been active in a number of Jewish organizations. She has been employed as a social worker for Children's Aid Society of Metro Toronto and Jewish Family & Child Service, taught history and literature at Har Zion and Adath Israel religious schools and served as a canvasser for Goldwin Consultants Inc.

However, she is probably best know for her work with Congress. As a staff associate for the past three years, Brief served on a number of committees including international affairs, Jews in Arab Lands, planning and priorities and political advocacy. Through her involvement with CJC, which she recently left, Brief said she obtained a better perspective of the issues.

As well as working with communities through her employment, Brief has served as education chairman of Crestview Homeowners Association, as a member of the Ontario Film Review Board and as national president of the World Conference on Religions for Peace.

The latter group, she explained, is affiliated with the United Nations and is designed to promote better relationships between communties and religions. During her term, Brief said she was involved in a number of projects, including Mosaic, where religious leaders from a number of religions were brought together to discuss common concerns.

"I've always been interested in other groups and cultures," Brief said.

Within her own community, Brief belongs to a number of organizations, including Adath Israel Congregation, Darchei Noam Congregation, Jewish Community Centre, Jewish Christian Dialogue of Metro Toronto and Hadassah-WIZO, Rachel Chapter.

It was there that Brief got her start in working in the community and learned to be "a keen observer and participant."

If elected, Brief said she will stress the need for government to work with communities to help people, rather than having government act alone. Using the Jewish community as an example, she said it tries to identify and help meet people's needs through a community of volunteers.

Fredelle Brief

"Government is not allowing the local level to respond to local needs by trying to be all things for all people," she said. "By putting funding down at the local level, you have more effective government.

"Government can help make people more community conscious," she added.

At the local level, she said there is a need for Highway 407 running north of Metro Toronto, as well an urgent need for the Sheppard subway line, which would run through Oriole.

This northeast North York riding is bounded by Steeles, Victoria Park, Leslie and Highway 401. As a result of redistribution it lost the northwestern part to Willowdale and the southern part to York Mills. In exchange, it picked up the northeast section of the old riding of York Mills.

Redistribution also resulted in the riding's ethnic mix changing. While the riding's population decreased by 20,000, the number of Jews living within its boundaries increased by over 2,000. As a result, Jews now account for 9.1% of the population.

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Organizations and People

Priest, rabbi speak at Beth Sholom

Interfaith dialogue seen as way to mend world

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

TORONTO —
Increased dialogue between Christians and Jews is "a profoundly religious obligation" that helps affirm the identity and values of ourselves and others, says a Roman Catholic priest.

Dialogue helps create a "new, different, more positive understanding," said Father Dan Donovan of St. Michael's College, and can "lead Catholics and Jews to find more ways to collaborate to mend the world."

Donovan and Rabbi Harvey Meirovich of Beth Sholom Synagogue were speaking before a full house at Beth Sholom on the topic Jewish-Christian Dialogue — Why Bother?

Both men agreed that we should bother, and both examined historical reasons for the hostility and distrust between the two great religions as well as the current situation.

Meirovich holds a doctorate in Hebrew Literature from the Jewish Theological Seminary and has published many papers. Donovan is a frequent media commentator on religious issues and chairman of the theological department at St. Michael's College.

The rabbi said the greatest historical reason for the lack of contact between Jewish, Christian and Islamic adherents is "triumphalism."

The belief, espoused at times by all three, that one religion holds "exclusive key to the kingdom" and that God loves a particular group more than others comes through in many phrases in religious writings.

This "dominant theme of triumphalism" is reflected in statements in Christian text such as "You are all one in Christ Jesus," which excludes those who do not accept Christ as the messiah, said Meirovich.

In Jewish writings, statements such as "Let there be no hope for slanderers" (heretics) have historically been interpreted similarly.

Donovan agreed that uncritically accepted "truths" can have many undesirable implications.

Christian complicity and negligence during the Holocaust remains a stumbling block for interfaith relations today, Meirovich said. Many Jews are still not ready to enter dialogue. "When you get hurt, you become insular, you go off in a corner," the rabbi said.

"Triumphalism" blamed for lack of contact

Donovan stressed the need for religions to examine the application of their beliefs. "There is no pure religion," he said. "If we love our religion we must criticize the things that are destructive and evil."

Donovan cited Jules Marx Isaac, a Jewish scholar who devoted his life to the study of Christian anti-semitism, as a factor in changing Catholic attitudes towards other religions.

Isaac's powerful study of Christian interpretation and instruction, which he termed "the teaching of contempt," and his meeting with Pope John XXIII in 1960 was a major catalyst in the Catholic church's decision to introduce a statement on relations with the Jews at the Second Vatican Council in 1965.

This "extraordinary landmark" began a process which has resulted in an "enormous improvement," and a more positive understanding by Catholics, said Donovan.

The statement acknowledged the common heritage and origin of the religions, the Jewishness of Jesus, the covenant with Moses and called for mutual understanding and a review of church literature for anti-semitic language or insinuation.

The statement and subsequent policy of the church has marked a "universalist commitment that was not there before," Donovan said.

The priest says he thinks there is movement in the Vatican toward recognizing the State of Israel although it is a slow process. "I think they should do it right away," he said when asked by a member of the audience.

When another audience member expressed fear that increased Jewish-Christian dialogue would only result in missionizing by the Christians, Donovan responded that church policy has moved away from that.

"There should be no mission to the Jews," Donovan said. "We must enter into dialogue with Judaism seen as a living, growing religion and understand that the Jewish experience is a different one."

Meirovich urged people to follow the lead of "bold, daring scholars," such as Claude Montefiore who stated that "no one religion, and no stage of that religion are in possession of perfect truth," and so dialogue is essential for betterment and growth.

"There is too much benefit to be derived from other people," Meirovich said.

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Willowdale MP John Oostrom (right) presents Bernard Kamin, president of the Jewish Community Centre with a check for $16,000.

JCC plans centres with grant from govt.

TORONTO —

The Jewish Community Centre was recently awarded a $16,000 grant by David Crombie, secretary of state for multiculturalism, according to an announcement by Willowdale MP John Oostrom.

The JCC will use the funds to establish a Canadian Association of Jewish Community Centres and Young Men and Young Women Hebrew Associations.

It is expected it will take two years to form a national network among Jewish community centres in urban areas across Canada. The network will deal with the development and maintenance of Jewish cultural identity in a multicultural society.

Humanitarian award goes to Bassett

By SAM MAINSTER

Douglas Bassett, president of Baton Broadcasting and CFTO-TV and a member of numerous charitable organizations, has received this year's Humanitarian Award from the Beth Sholom Synagogue Brotherhood.

"We must realize that we are all in the communications business," said Bassett in his acceptance speech at the recent award dinner. "We must create understanding between all people regardless of race, religion or creed."

Among his many charitable activities, Bassett is a trustee for the Hospital for Sick Children, vice-president of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science, chairman of the World Wildlife Fund (Canada) and a governor of the Variety Village Sport Training and Fitness Centre.

Although not Jewish, Bassett is known for his support of several Jewish organizations. "He exemplifies every aspect of the Humanitarian Award's inscription, 'Friend and Benefactor to all Men,' " said Brotherhood Special Events Committee chairman Frank Cadesky.

Among those honoring Bassett at the dinner were Ontario Opposition leader Larry Grossman, Consumer and Commercial Relations Minister Monte Kwinter, former Premier William Davis, United States consul-general J. Donald Blevins and Israeli consul-general Benjamin Abileah.

Kwinter brought greetings from Premier David Peterson, while Grossman brought greetings from the federal government including a personal telegram from Barbara MacDougall and a note from David Crombie.

Abileah honored both Bassett and his father John Bassett, caling the latter "a great Zionist."

Bassett said he was slightly embarassed at being honored, but he accepted the award proudly as a symbol "which fosters recognition of the mosaic that the people of Canada are made of."

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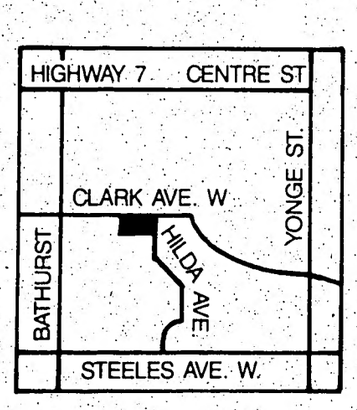

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Organizations and People

Women given investment choices

Independence goal of financial affairs seminar

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

Helping women become better able to handle their own financial affairs was the objective of a recent 1-day seminar sponsored by the Womens' Committee of the Endowment Fund of United Jewish Welfare Fund/Toronto Jewish Congress.

Lawyer Esther Lenkinski said that there are some shortfalls in the revised Family Law Act of 1985 which were not present in its predecessor, the Family Law Reform Act of 1980 and which can put women in a worse situation.

These basically involve the principle of equal sharing of the net value of all property — broadly defined in the act as any interest, vested, future or contingent — acquired during marriage.

In the event of divorce or separation, direct or indirect contribution by one spouse to property owned by the other is recognized and the contributing spouse is compensated by the award of money or interest in property held by the other. This is called an equalizing payment.

She said there is imprecise language in certain areas.

Lenkinski pointed out, for example, that the word "value" is unclear. The Act doesn't specify whether it's fair market value, book value, replacement value or market value.

Lenkinski said that in the cases of women who take shares of their husband's business as their equalizing payment, once the amount has been set the court has no jurisdiction to change it. This means that though the business could improve dramatically, the woman's share remains the same.

The section of the Act which would permit the court to vary the equal division of assets, uses the word "unconscionable" which the courts define as being a standard that is shocking to the conscience.

"It doesn't use unfair or unjust but unconscionable. The legislation introduces a fairly rigid application of its statutory provisions with no readily accessible power to the court to relieve against such division."

Lenkinski said that no one has succeeded in the past year in proving it has been shocking to the conscious.

She said that this situation has led to an increase in the number of prenuptial or domestic contracts.

"Where before I used to do four a year, now I'm doing that many in a month."

Charlotte Haber, a tax partner with M. Finkelstein & Partners, recommended Registered Retirement Savings Plans as the best means of saving tax dollars.

She explained that though RRSPs are based on earned income through employment or self-employment, it is pre-tax dollars that are being saved and this money, which gains interest, is sheltered.

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She pointed out that if a husband owns his own business, it would be worthwhile for the spouse to be paid even a small salary. Not only will she qualify for Canada Pension Plan, she will also be able to put money into an RRSP.

Haber said it would also be to the couple's advantage for the husband to make a spousal contribution.

"Since there is no tax splitting anymore, if he puts an RRSP in his wife's name, he still gets the immediate tax benefit and it will provide them with a higher future stream of income."

Currently RRSP payments are based on the same year's income although payments can be made until March 1 of the next year. In 1987, people are able to contribute 20% of earnings in this calendar year up to a maximum of $7,500 if they don't have a pension plan at work or $3,500 if they do.

However, in 1988 — and each year thereafter — an individual's contribution will be based on the previous year's earnings. It will be 18% of earned income to a maximum of $9,500 for those without a plan and $9,500 less a pension adjustment determined by the employer.

Investment counselor Miriam Varadi said the sad part about Canada's tax structure is that it gives more of a break to investment income than earned income.

For that reason, people need to determine investment objectives which include income, growth, preservation of capital, reduction of taxes and speculative gains.

She pointed out that one has to look at the effect inflation has on the real value of money. For instance, the Victorians received 2% interest but with no taxes and no inflation the real value of their money was greater than that of someone who today makes 8% in a savings account. If the individual is in the 50% tax bracket, 4% of the earning would go to the government in tax and inflation would claim the other 4%.

She said that someone in the 30% bracket with money sitting in a savings account and inflation at 6% would have to get 8.6% interest just to break even.

She then explained the tax advantage of investing in Canadian junior or blue chip stocks which pay dividends. Every dividend dollar received is worth 30% more of investment income. As well, since the company in which you have invested has already paid tax, you add a third more which is called a gross-up.

For example, someone with $1,000 of interest income in the top tax bracket (52% federal and provincial), will net $490 after income tax. However, someone with $1,000 of dividend income gets ⅓ more (the gross-up) and then ⅔ of that amount (dividend tax credit), so with the same initial investment receives $654 or $164 (25%) more.

"Most people work hard for their money and they throw it into a savings account because they're afraid to take a risk by investing it. You can minimize the risk by creating a balanced investment program," she said.

Lawyer Donald Carr said that though estate planning is necessary and perfectly legal, sometimes it can backfire.

When an individual builds a business, it is not unusual to postpone paying tax on growth and in effect pass this obligation onto the next generation. The individual can convert the existing business so he no longer has equity shares but voting shares — the beneficiaries often the children or grandchildren hold the growth shares.

One possible scenario is that there is a rift in the family and the owner needs money. Without outside assets, the man can be strapped because he can't touch those funds without permission of the beneficiaries. He may even have to justify a large salary to them.

"Children may not intentionally hurt parents but you have to consider outside marital influences. Parents have an absolute phobia of being dependent on their children."

Children working in the family business should be given the option to buy it, Carr suggested, adding that it is worthwhile to investigate insurance to provide the balancing funds necessary in the event one child buys out the other.

Carr said women must insist on knowing the source of the family income and on running the household to prevent what he termed the "poor widow syndrome," whereby widows, even those well off, agonize over their financial predicament.

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Organizations and People

True faith must lead to action

By
RABBI SELIG KOROLNEK

Shavuoth, which begins the evening of June 2 this year, commemorates the birth of "a kingdom of priests and a holy nation" (Ex. 19:6). Underscored was our duty to live an exemplary life for mankind to emulate, for our ultimate redemption.

Our patriarch Abraham's faith was tested in a unique manner, when God commanded him to bring his only son, Isaac, to a mountain in the land of Moriah and there give him up as a burnt offering. Without any hesitation, or conference even with his own wife whom he loved so dearly, he prepares for the journey and for the great sacrificial act. On the third day, we find him on the top of the mountain with the altar built, fire kindled, Isaac bound and the knife raised for the final act. Does Abraham ask: "Hasn't G-d promised me, 'In Isaac shall thy seed be called?' What will happen to that promise? No, Abraham does not ask any questions, seeks no answers but says to himself that the same G-d who made the promise also gave the command. Here, in the test of Abraham, we find a simple definition of faith. Faith is doing G-d's will and asking no questions.

Can such faith be taught? I once read a remarkable story which I wish to share with you. A father went into a room where his little girl was playing. Earlier that afternoon someone presented her with some beautiful beads. The child immediately ran to her father to show him the gift. "They are very beautiful my child," the father remarked, "but now, my dear, throw them into the fire."

Her eyes filled with tears. He went on: "I shall not compel you to do it. I leave it up to you."

The child thought for a moment and said to herself, "My daddy has always been kind to me. I suppose he is right." The father watched in silence as she threw the beads into the fire.

The next day, he gave her something far more beautiful and said to her: "Now, my child, I did all this to teach you trust, not only in me, but in our Father in Heaven. Many a time in your life, He will ask you to give up and avoid what you can not see the reason for avoiding, but if you trust that Father as you have trusted me, you will always be the beneficiary."

Our own faith becomes stronger when we teach it to our children. The Bible states, "And these words shall be upon the heart and thou shalt teach them diligently to thy children" (Deut. 6:6). If you want these words to be in your heart, teach them to your children. That will be an incentive to you to learn them well and understand them fully. You can't teach what you don't know, just as you can't sell what you don't own.

Faith alone, important as it may be, is not sufficient. It must lead to action. The Talmud refers to a virtuous man entitled to his heavenly reward in the world to come, in this way: "Happy is the one who comes here and the knowledge is in his hand."

Isn't knowledge usually in the mind of a person? Isn't the head the seat of learning? Evidently the Talmud was anxious to teach us another lesson. There are many people who acquire knowledge, some even the knowledge of morals, ethics and religious philosophy. They may have keen minds and be erudite students, but the knowledge they possess is never translated into action. There is no communication between their minds, the seat of the intellect and their hands, the symbol of activity. Such individuals make no contribution to the betterment of society. Talmud sages describe the virtuous man as one who not only studies God's Law but lives by it, too.

Which is more important, faith or action?

Two men were crossing a river in a ferryboat. A dispute about faith and deeds arose. One claimed that good deeds are all that is necessary and faith occupies an inferior role, while the other argued the contrary. Not being able to convince each other, they asked the boatman for his opinion.

He answered: "I hold in my hands two oars. The one in my right hand I will call faith, the other in my left, I will call deeds. Were I to pull the oar marked faith alone, the boat would go round and round and I would make no progress. If I were to do the same thing with my left oar, marked deeds the result would be similar — no advance. But only when I pull them together, can we make progress and reach our destination in safety."

Hadassah honors six members

By
SHEILA DROPKIN

KITCHENER, Ont. — More than 120 Hadassah-WIZO members met in Kitchener recently for the organization's first Great Lakes-Huron regional conference.

Representing Peterborough, Oshawa, Metropolitan Toronto, Hamilton, Brantford, Guelph, Kitchener- Waterloo, Niagara Falls, London, Sarnia and Windsor, the women took this opportunity to honor six of their number who have been members for at least 50 years. Each of these longtime members was presented with a scroll by national president, Cecily Peters.

Three generations of the Kay family of Kitchener — Rose Kay, her daughter-in-law Rachel Kay, president of the Kitchener-Waterloo Hadassah-WIZO Council, and 9-year-old daughter Lindsay Kay — all participated in a special Yom Hashoa memorial service led by Ruth Kraus and Pearl Freedman of St. Catharines.

David Weinberg, director of research with the Canada-Israel Committee, was the guest speaker at the dinner celebrating the 70th anniversary of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO. Speaking on "Canadian Perceptions of Israel," he called the mid 80s "challenging times" for the Jews of Israel and the Diaspora.

"While we hold several national conferences during the year in different parts of the community and even in the U.S. south and west during the winter for the snowbirds, I believe that these regional conferences are extremely vital for the health of the organization," Peters told The CJN. "It is truly necessary for members in the same geographical area to meet with each other and discuss local issues, concerns and successes. Our national meetings are just too hectic and busy for the more intimate and specific discussions these topics require."

From left, Pat Albert, vice-regional chairman, Great Lakes Region; Rachel Kay, president, Kitchener-Waterloo Hadassah-WIZO Council; and Carol Pulver, regional chairman, Great Lakes Region, listen at regional conference.

Ilse Seetner, national chairman of the organization's Project Enrichment program for school and health care facilities, announced that Diane and Annette Grafstein of Peterborough and Charlotte Levine of Kitchener have become the latest donors to the project. Mrs. Levine's membership is in memory of her late parents Charles and Mary Wagman. Mrs. Wagman had been a longtime active member of the Toronto council.

Seminars on leadership skills and development, membership and membership retention and the dynamics of fund raising were led by members with expertise in these topics.

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Organizations and People

Elm Ridge offers seniors security, independence

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Thirteen Toronto seniors are participating in an experiment of sorts. And they seem to be loving it.

The seniors, whose average age is in the 80s, are the tenants of the Elm Ridge Group Living Residence, a new concept in housing for the elderly.

The Residence celebrated its official opening last week during the Toronto Jewish Congress/United Jewish Appeal Focus Week which showcased the agencies' projects.

It's the "first specially designed group home for the elderly in Toronto," according to Debby Vigoda, chairwoman of the Elm Ridge Committee of the Jewish Family & Child Service. "The concept of shared housing is unique," she adds.

At last week's opening ceremonies, spokesmen for a number of agencies who participated in the planning and construction of the residence as well as its first resident lauded its innovative nature.

"It's an exciting new alternative for seniors which offers us the security we look for along with the independence we need," said Keve Ladowsky, who moved in 15 months ago. "This house is not an institution, it's a home."

Spokesmen for Cityhome, the City of Toronto housing authority which is the landlord, for the provincial ministry of housing and for the Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp., which insured the mortgage and subsidizes in part the yearly operation of the residence, said the residence broke new ground from traditional senior housing programs.

Marshall Kesten, president of JF & CS, which administers the home, said Elm Ridge was "a prototype for group living for seniors."

The "unique" project traces its origins back three years to a request by local ratepayers for seniors housing in the area (Elmridge Drive runs off Roselawn Ave. and the residence practically overlooks the Allen Road).

Subsequently Cityhome approached Toronto Jewish Congress, requesting its input. TJC's social planning committee, which considers the needs of the Jewish community in the long term, proposed the concept of a seniors' home in which the residents would maintain a high degree of independence but would share some facilities and space and provide mutual support.

The project was modeled after similar homes in Chicago and St. Louis, Vigoda said.

Architects designed the structure to fit the needs of a group, and CMHC helped finance the operation, as did TJC and private donors. The residents pay a monthly rent, though much of the true costs are subsidized.

The Kehilla Residential Program, an agency within the TJC umbrella, rented the group home from Cityhome and called on JF & CS to administer it.

Coordinator of the house is Faye Gaitzhals, who oversees the operations of the facility as well as volunteer recruitment and social programs.

Residents have access to all JF & CS resources, Vigoda said, including educational, fitness and cultural programs.

And the kitchens in the residence are completely kosher.

For Dorothy Niloff, living at Elm Ridge is just like "home living. You're not alone. We have a lovely group here. We find it so much easier than an apartment.

"It's like a family. We help each other."

So far, 13 of the 14 apartments have been taken (12 by women). There is one vacancy left and JF & CS is entertaining applications, though the applicant for the last spot must be male. He must also be in relatively good physical, mental and emotional health, capable of managing himself, and live with minimal care in a communal, sharing environment.

For more information, contact JF & CS at 688-7800.

Marshall Kesten, president of the Jewish Family & Child Service, welcomes about 50 wellwishers to the opening of the Elm Ridge residence as Debby Vigoda, chairwoman of the Elm Ridge committee, looks on.

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Students spread good word about ORT schools

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Just ask Sandra Jazwinsky from Argentina or Avimelech Albatzewo, an Ethiopian Jew from Israel, and they'll tell you that ORT schools turn dreams into reality.

The two students, in Toronto recently to help celebrate ORT Month, are spending their time in Canada visiting major cities and spreading the good word about the organization's schools.

ORT, the Organization for Rehabilitation through Training, is the world's largest non-governmental vocational and technical educational program.

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In addition to high tech training, ORT operates apprenticeship centres, creative education programs, factory schools and special programs for the disadvantaged.

Sandra, 17, graduating next year as a master builder, a European professional designation licensing her to design buildings, three storeys or less, says that ORT schools don't merely "give away diplomas. We have to pass a preparation course with high marks before we are admitted and then we have to work hard to keep up.

"On top of going to classes from 7.45 a.m. to 6 p.m., we do homework each evening."

She adds however, that it is the opportunity of a lifetime for many students. A lot of students would have to drop out of school if not for ORT's help.

Tuition at ORT schools varies with ability to pay, but no one is turned away for lack of funds. Dental and medical care are available for those in need.

Sandra Jazwinsky

Avimelech Albatzewo

Avimelech, 20, who has 1½ years left of school before he will graduate as a lathe mechanic says that ORT has given him a fantastic opportunity. "They are training me to enter the Israeli workforce as quickly as possible. I never stop thanking them."

Sandra, who attended an elementary Jewish School in Argentina, says that when she visited a Jewish school here she was "surprised to find it the same as at home. I'm so far away, yet things are so much the same," laughs Sandra.

Avimelech agrees that even with his different background, he can walk into a Canadian synagogue and not be a stranger. "Jewish people are like a family across the world."

Diane Uslaner, director, Women's Canadian ORT says that preserving Jewish identity is one of the major objectives of ORT schools. "Jewish studies are an important part of ORT curricula and programs are always being developed to further Jewish educational activities."

She adds that in many small Jewish communities around the world, ORT schools continue to be a centre for Jewish tradition and culture.

Honors from Yeshiva U for 2

NEW YORK —

A Montreal native who is now a leading social work administrator and a rabbi who was the founder of the Rabbinical Council of Canada — will receive honorary degrees May 28 at Yeshiva University's Centennial Commencement.

Carmi Schwartz

Rabbi
Walter Wurzburger

Carmi Schwartz, executive vice-president of the council of Jewish Federations, will receive an honorary doctor of humane letters degree. Rabbi Walter Wurzburger, an alumnus of Yeshiva University who also served as president of the Rabbinical Council of America, will receive an honorary doctor of divinity degree.

Schwartz has also held Jewish federation executive positions in Montreal — as well as in New York, New Jersey, and Florida. He completed his undergraduate work at Sir George Williams University and earned his Master's degree in social work and sociology from McGill University.

He is a founding member of the board of governors of the University's Wurzweiler School of Social Work and he has taught as an adjunct faculty member at Wurzweiler.

Rabbi Wurzburger was spiritual leader of Congregation Shaarei Shomayim in Toronto from 1953 to 1967.

He was the founder and first president of the Rabbinical Council of Canada and was a columnist for the Toronto Telegram.

Wurzburger is a visiting professor of philosophy at Yeshiva University and president of the Synagogue Council of America. He is the editor of the journal, Tradition, and spiritual leader of Congregation Shaaray Tefila in Lawrence, NY.

Sisterhoods praised by educator

TORONTO —

Synagogue sisterhoods play an integral role in the Jewish community, says the national adult education chairman of Women's League for Conservative Judaism.

"Today's sisterhood members are educated and worldly and most are able to provide other adults with the means to a Jewish education," says Helene Schachter.

Schachter, from Great Neck, NY, was the keynote speaker at the recent Ontario Branch, Women's League for Conservative Judaism dinner which was part of their spring conference, held this year at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue.

Other conference activities included a genetics symposium, a shachrit service and a multi-media presentation dealing with domestic violence, substance abuse, cults and single parents.

Schachter told the group that through lectures, study groups and Shabbat services, sisterhood members are able to make the community aware of problems affecting everyone.

Not only do they promote a Jewish education for adults, which in itself is an important function, but they are also concerned with all human issues," said Schachter.

Citing adolescent suicide as a current crucial example, Schachter urged sisterhood members to schedule forums to study the issue.

"Suicides happen in every type of family — observant and non-observant, rich and poor," she said.

"It is a hidden issue because most suicide attempts are covered up. It is a problem that is begging for a solution. Don't say it won't happen to my child or in my community."

She added that other issues that should be studied including intermarriage, cults, drugs, care of the elderly and disabled and daycare.

"As well, sisterhoods should start an outreach program to help singles and newly married couples increase the quality of Judaism in their home."

Schachter said that working with other women who care about such concerns can do a lot to make the world a better place. "Sisterhoods give women the opportunity to be with people who share their concerns as well as share events in their lives. Without sisterhoods something would truly be missing." **C.B.**

Cantor to sing anthem at Knesset

TORONTO —

Cantor Paul Kowarsky of Toronto's Beth Tzedec Congregation has been asked to sing O Canada by the Cantors Assembly at the opening session of its convention in the Knesset in Jerusalem on July 9.

Kowarsky will be among 1,000 delegates when the Cantors Assembly, the world's largest body of chazzanim, celebrates its 40th anniversary with an historic gathering in Israel this summer.

He will join cantors from 16 countries, musicians, scholars and laypersons who will participate in the celebration from July 6-22 under the patronage of Israeli President Chaim Herzog.

The Toronto cantor has been invited to sing at the main concert of the convention, to be held at Binyanei Ha-Uma in Jerusalem on July 11. He will be accompanied by the 40-voice Johannesburg Synagogue Choir.

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HALIFAX —
The exhibit History and Heritage: The Jewish Community of Nova Scotia was recently opened here by provincial Lieutenant-Governor Alan Abraham at the Public Archives of Nova Scotia.

The exhibit, on view until the end of July, is the culmination of two years of efforts by members of the Jewish Historical Society of Halifax and many volunteers.

It is set in four parts along a Ribbon of Time with photographs, documents, artifacts, ceremonial objects, and brief story lines to support the material.

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They illustrate how the new settlers established themselves in the community and adapted to a new life while still maintaining their heritage and their traditions.

The practices and customs associated with the festivals and the holy days are featured in the third segment. A number of artifacts and ceremonial objects have been collected to support this part of the display.

The last section of the exhibit is entitled The Cycle of Life. This portion illustrates six stages in the Jewish life cycle from birth to death.

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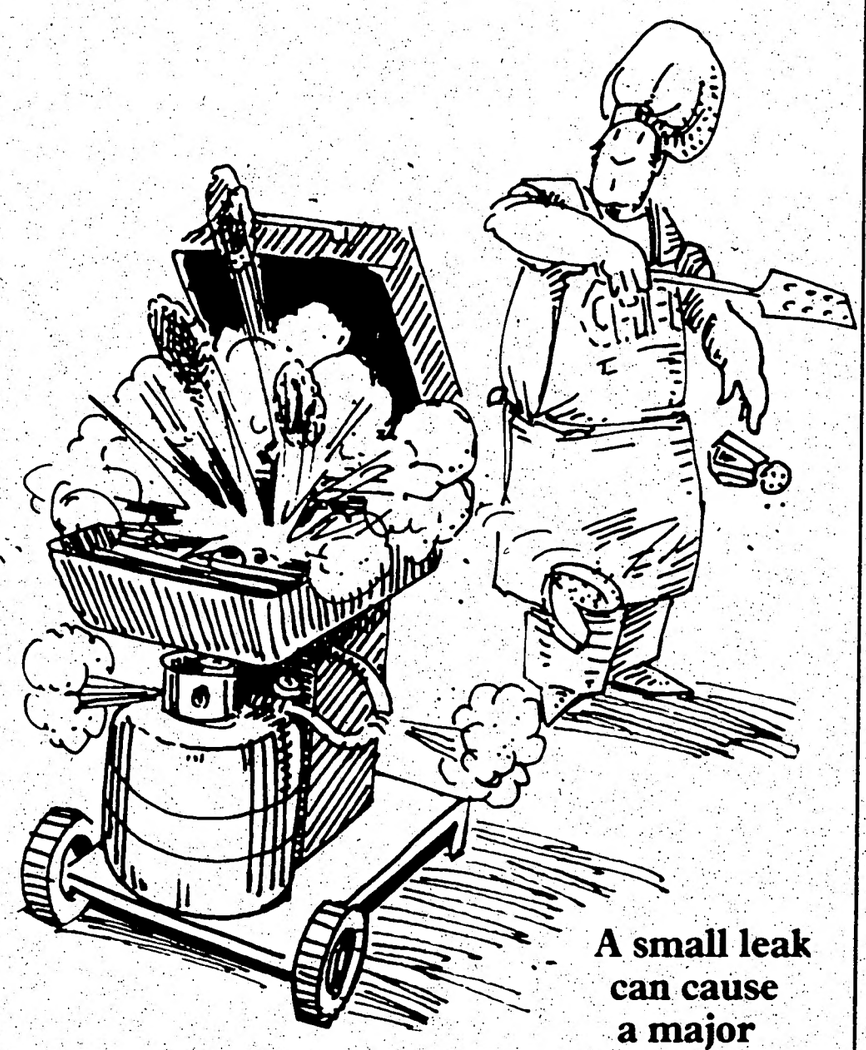

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TV personality honored by Na'amat

Cherington: My trip to Israel "turning point"

By
SHEILA DROPKIN

TORONTO —
In accepting his award as Na'amat Pioneer Women's "Spiritual Father of the Year," TV personality Tom Cherington stressed his support for the State of Israel.

Speaking to about 300 at the organization's Adopt-a-Child Dinner held at Beth Tzedec Synagogue recently, Cherington recalled his visit to Israel four years ago as a "turning point, the start of an odyssey."

Recalling a poignant photo of a mother and two young children in a concentration camp which he had seen at the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial in Jerusalem, he cited it as the primary catalyst in his becoming so pro-Israel.

"You can't be lighthearted about Israel," he said. "When you are surrounded by 130 million people who want to cut your throat, you take yourself seriously."

Talk show

In introducing Cherington, host of a popular talk show broadcast on CHCH-TV Hamilton, Irma Ziskin, National Adopt-a-Child chairman, stated that the had been selected for this year's honor because he is an "exemplary media person whose fair and unbiased approach promotes knowledge, understanding and harmony."

She mentioned his programs dealing with Israel and with anti-semitism as examples of his fairness.

Benjamin Abileah, Israel consul-general in Toronto, brought greetings from his government and commended the members of Na'amat for their help in solving Israel's social service problems. In Israel Na'amat works with the deprived, with needy and delinquent children, battered women and children and individuals in prison.

Speaking about Israel's 39-year history, Abileah said that the country must remain strong "in order to achieve peace with our neighbors. Weakness would only encourage them to undo the idea of Israel. Despite its difficulties, Israel has managed to be strong."

Louise Cornblum, outgoing Adopt-a-Child Chairman and incoming president, reported on her most recent trip to Israel, during which she went to one of the day/night homes sponsored by the organization and met with the directors and many of the children.

Speaking of the children, most of whom come from problem homes, Cornblum explained that they need "10 times the care and loving you give your children and grandchildren." She stated that in this instance, money can buy love since it provides the professional loving care that these children need.

She reported that a total of $264,000 was raised in the Adopt-a-Child program this year and paid tribute to the various chapters for their participation in the fund raising.

More than 50 members who either personally adopted a minimum of five children or encouraged others to do so were presented with the Sylvia Mirsky Award, named in memory of the founder of the program. Frances Mandell was named new chairman.

Norma Barkin, Toronto president, chaired the dinner, calling Na'amat Israel's largest organization for child care aid. Forty thousand youngsters have grown up with its support, she said.

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18th UJA Walk for Israel "the best to date"

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —
The 18th annual United Jewish Appeal Walk for Israel was "beyond doubt, the best to date," says a jubilant Gloria Clamen who chaired this year's event.

It's estimated that at least 12,000 participated in the walk and an additional 3,000 attended the festival held in the grounds adjoining the Jewish Community Centre (the final checkpoint), with activities and displays stretching all the way to the nearby Lipa Green Building.

The walk, which got under way at 8.30 a.m. from Earl Bales Park, attracted a record number of people who participated in family units.

"That's just one component of the day that pleased us so much," said Clamen. "There seemed to be a much greater sense of community solidarity than in previous walks. It was wonderful watching 3-generation families — from tots in strollers to grandparents — starting out together."

Also far more visible this year were the physically disabled and developmentally handicapped, just as organizers had hoped for early on in the planning stage of this year's event.

"We really were in luck weatherwise, and no doubt that played a key role in the fantastic turnout and undisputed success of the entire day," said Bobby Katz and Larry Shapiro, who jointly chaired Focus Week, which was officially launched by the walk.

Veteran walker, Rachel Kanner, handed in a whopping $1,400 in sponsor money at the first checkpoint. For Mrs. Kanner, a senior, the Walk for Israel has by now become a "piece of cake."

"She's remarkable," Gloria Clamen commented. "We can always count on her to bring in a terrific amount of money year after year."

Chairing the festival component of the day was Barbara Lampcov, who like Clamen, couldn't adequately express her praise and gratitude for the hundreds of volunteers who kept it all running so smoothly.

"It was an outstanding effort by B'nai B'rith lodge members and hundreds of other volunteers," said Lampcov. "Most of all, the success of this whole enterprise is the result of the work done by committee members over a period of many months. They're a dedicated core group that's been built up over the years to form a solid foundation of people thoroughly knowledgeable with all aspects of the walk and festival."

Coming in for their share of praise from Bobby Katz were the "fabulous group of walkie-talkie operators" headquartered at the Lipa Green Building from 7.30 a.m. until 6 p.m., who kept in constant touch with operators along the walk route.

At the walk as well as the festival, the impression most vivid and gratifying for organizers, was the vast age range of participants and volunteers.

In the cultural pavilion, two artists, both in their 80s, made a telling impact on all who saw their work. Henry Weingluck and Hannah Sandberg proudly displayed their paintings to several thousand admiring men, women and children who made their way to the exhibits.

And topping the whole day off was the Lag B'Omer bonfire attended by 200.

UJA staffers have a mammoth task calculating the amount of money raised toward the construction of a day care centre in Kfar Gvirol, Toronto's twinned Project Renewal community. Those in the know are confident the total could well exceed the $180,000 raised in 1986.

Waving walkers off at Earl Bales Park are from the left: Barbara Lampcov, Bobby Katz, Gloria Clamen, Larry Shapiro, along with 1987 UJA co-chairmen Adrienne Offman and Max Handelman.

Vancouver site of planning meet

VANCOUVER —
More than 60 Jewish community leaders, representing the major centres of Western Canada and several Ontario localities will meet in Vancouver June 12-14 for a 12-day conference Planning for the Jewish Community of the 1990s.

The keynote address, Loking to the Future — The Challenge to Federations will be delivered by Shoshana Cardin, president of the Council of Jewish Federations. A panel of community leaders will respond to her remarks.

The conference is sponsored by the Canadian Committee of the Council of Jewish Federations (CJF) in cooperation with the Calgary Jewish Community Council, Jewish Federation of Edmonton, Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver and Winnipeg Jewish Community Council. Trudy Pekarsky of Vancouver is conference chairman.

The leaders will have their opening session at 7 p.m. June 12 at the Vancouver Four Seasons Hotel, where all the workshops and addresses will take place.

Presentations on such subjects as community planning, endowments, leadership development and long-range campaign planning will be delivered by Prof. Gary Tobin of Brandeis University; Gordon Cooper and Boris Stein, CJF Canadian Endowment Committee co-chairmen; Harold Buchwald, of the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council; Ed Rosen, CJF Campaign Planning Advisory Committee; and several of the CJF staff.

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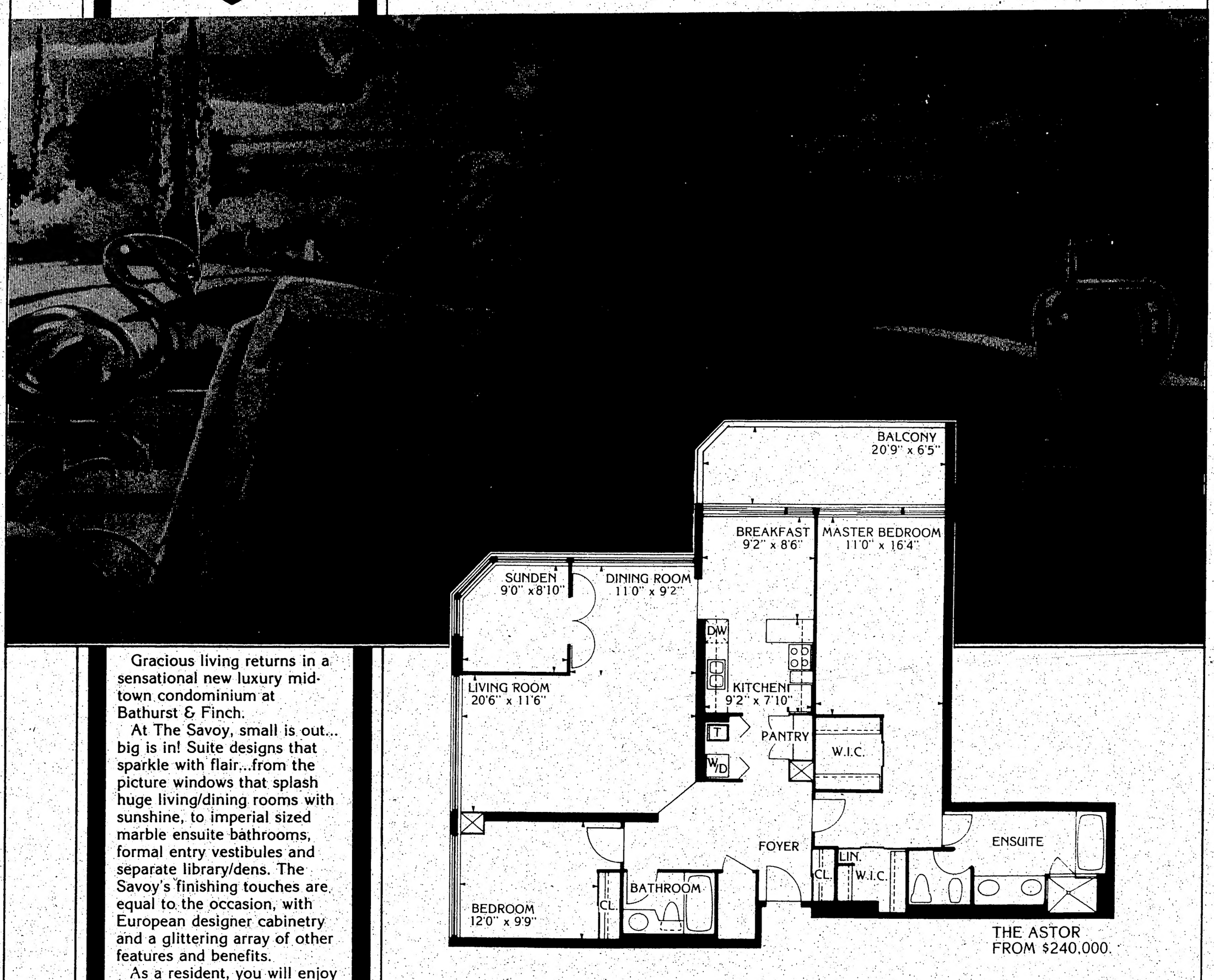

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David Levy celebrates with Sephardi community

Tzadek is honored at Lag B'Omer ceremony

By
SAM MAINSTER

TORONTO —
The celebration of the memory of a tzadek buried in the Land of Israel almost 2,000 years ago was held in Toronto at Lag B'Omer as it is every year.

Toronto's Sephardi Jewish community remembered Shimon Bar Yochai, reputed writer of the Zohar, on the traditional date of his death, Lag B'Omer, at Petah Tikvah Synagogue.

The event in a place as far away from Israel and Morocco as Toronto impressed the evening's special guest, Israeli Deputy Prime Minister David Levy, himself a Moroccan Jew. The performing of the tradition so far from its origins, said Levy, "fortifies the links among the Jewish people."

Food, drink and song prevail in honoring the life of Bar Yochai, who fled Roman persecution to live in the mountains of Galilee and study Torah for 13 years. During this time he is said to have developed the Zohar, the mystic commentary on the Torah.

The celebration, which often continues until midnight, is also an opportunity for the community to raise money. Not only Bar Yochai but eight other tzadikim are honored, and such ceremonial activities as the lighting of memorial candles for each are auctioned off. This year, the lighting of Bar Yochai's memorial candle went to one family for $800.

Also auctioned are paintings of biblical scenes and religious objects, cakes, Sabbath candelabras and wine cups, The Books of Tehillim and religious commentaries. Each bears the name of a tzadek as well as that of a departed loved one of someone in the community.

"In this way, with each we mention the name of a tzadek and in doing so, remember our loved ones," said synagogue vice-president Leon Oziel.

This year's celebration differed from previous years only in that an additional memorial candle was lit by Levy for those who died fighting as members of the Israel Defence Forces.

At past Lag B'Omer celebrations, said Oziel, as many as 500 people would attend. This year's turnout was smaller, but Oziel credited this to those using the warm spring day to participate in the United Jewish Appeal Walk for Israel. Knowing that the two events would conflict with one another, said Oziel, "We didn't know if we should pray for rain or sunshine."

Speeches in French, Spanish, Hebrew and English by the synagogue executive, Levy and Israeli Consul-General Benjamin Abileah preceded the evening meal and auction.

In his speech Levy, who had just left the Walk for Israel, described his pleasure at seeing the Sephardi and Ashkenazi communities working together, a situation giving real "nachas" like the reunification of Jerusalem.

From left are Benjamin Abileah, Israel consul-general; David Levy, Israel's deputy prime minister and Len Oziel, Petah Tikvah Synagogue vice-president. [Graphic Artists photo]

Synagogue baseball league getting ready for some fun

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Hockey playoffs are nearing completion so that must mean it's nearly midsummer and time for sticks and pucks to be traded in for balls and bats.

Members of nine Toronto-area synagogues and temples are readying themselves for the start to their slow-pitch baseball season, the first for the Synagogue Brotherhood Baseball League.

Beginning May 31, 100 or so athletes and overweight sportsmen will gather at parks in York and North York for Sunday morning baseball at its best, er, most mediocre, er, average, well...it's fun anyway.

Barry Freeman, league organizer and head macher, says the league gives synagogue members the opportunity to get in the sun, knock the ball around and socialize with like-minded individuals from other synagogues and temples.

The league is open to those who are members of any of nine Conservative and Reform synagogues: Beth Sholom, Beth Tikvah, Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am, Shaar Shalom, Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, Holy Blossom, Temple Emanu-El, Adath Israel and Beth Tzedec.

More specifically, players have to be members of the synagogue brotherhoods to be eligible.

Participants will play one game a week on Sundays for 13 weeks prior to the playoffs. The contest will, according to Freeman, "not be a killer game."

It's seven innings of slow pitch at its slowest, with each team supplying its own pitcher. That should make for some high scoring, exciting games, Freeman says. Last year, as vice-president of the Beth Sholom Brotherhood, he organized a similar event for the shul and the men had a great time, with family coming out to soak up the sun and maybe watch a little ball too.

Anyone interested in participating in the league, contact your synagogue brotherhood for details.

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Israel links stressed

By
GAYE LEFEBVRE

TORONTO —
The recent Israel Festival of TJC/UJA Focus Week, which provided a cultural context for the day's Walk for Israel and family entertainment, emphasized the Toronto-Israel connection on a "people-to-people" basis.

And there is no closer connection possible than the settling of a child in Israel, said members of Parents of North American Israelis organization at an exhibit on olim in the "Jewish cultural tent."

PNAI, a support group for parents whose children have made aliya or are considering it, has 35 chapters across North America and 150 Toronto family members.

Toronto olim represent the "strongest ties to Israel," say Minabelle and Irving Hanneford, parents of a daughter living on a kibbutz since 1969.

The olim exhibit highlighted the broad spectrum of Torontonians who have made aliya, from members of kibbutzim to a sergeant in the Israel Defence Forces, to an artist and a librarian.

For the hungry and thirsty, a "taste of Israel" was provided with seven examples of Israeli produce — olives, figs, dates, wheat, barley, grapes and pomegranates.

Visitors to the tent sampled Carmel wine, Israeli cheese and wheat crackers, figs and dates and enjoyed a respite from the heat of the day.

Other points of interest were a FAX machine used to send a message to the mayor of Toronto's twinned Project Renewal community of Beit Dagan in Israel and a display showing students from Toronto studying in Israel for one year.

A large Jewish National Fund "living tree" was filled with leaves inscribed with the names of contributors. The donations will be used by the JNF to plant trees in commemoration of the TJC/UJA Festival in Camp Park Israel.

Also featured in the tent were exhibits of community agencies including the Jewish Vocational Service, the Yiddish Committee, the Soviet Jewry committee, the archives and kashruth department.

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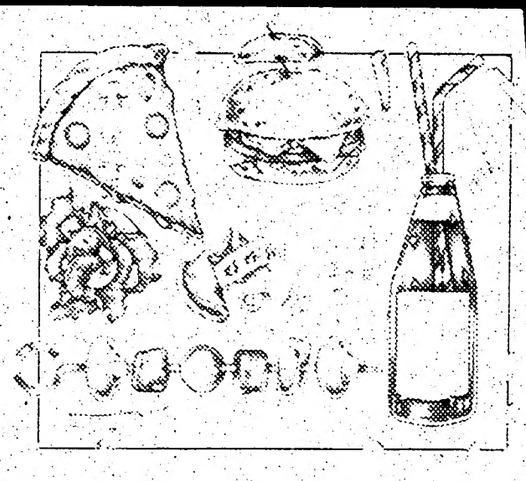

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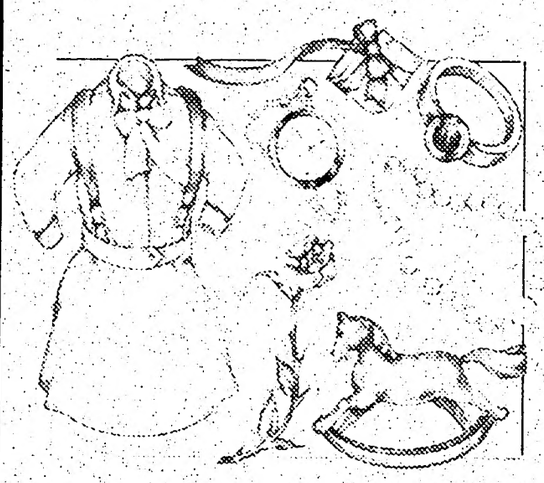

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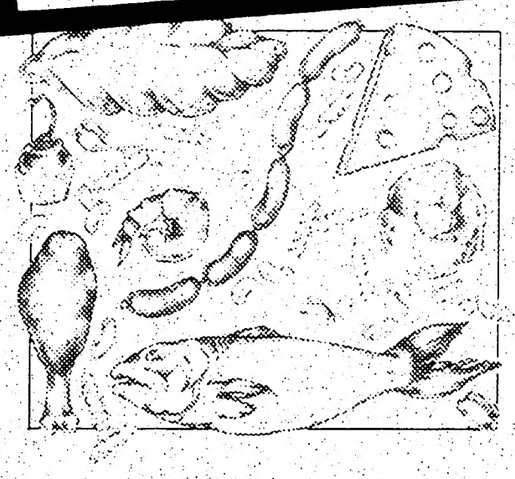

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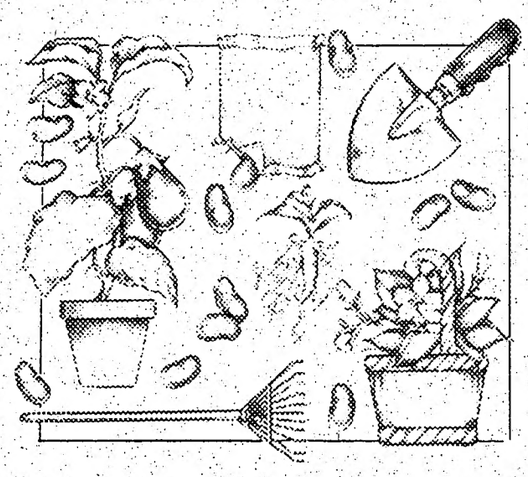

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Sharing wealth Nixon's goal

No pain budget fortifies Ont.'s social services

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
You'll soon be able to get a little more change back when you grab a burger and soft drink, thanks to an initiative in the 1987 Ontario budget which raises the provincial sales tax exemption for prepared food products to $4 from $2 effective June 1.

Delivering what is expected to be a pre-election budget, Ontario treasurer Robert Nixon carefully avoided any tax increases and included tax cuts for the elderly and low income groups, as well as increased funding for a number of social and economic services.

Focusing the government's fiscal plan on five "priority areas," Nixon said the budget contains $246 million in tax reductions to benefit the elderly and lower income, while reducing the deficit by $331 million.

"Ontario's economy is showing solid growth," the treasurer reported to the Legislature. "But some regions, some economic sectors and some people are not sharing fully in the benefits. The government is committed to working towards a durable prosperity that is shared by all."

To help accomplish this, the basic property tax credit will be increased from $180 to $230, the Ontario Tax Reduction Program will be expanded by $10 million, removing 100,000 low-income Ontarians from the tax rolls and reducing the taxes of a further 60,000 and by eliminating OHIP premium payments for 40,000 more individuals and families.

As well as providing $115 million in tax relief for low and moderate income people, Nixon announced financial support for child care, senior citizens and the disabled, plus affordable housing for low-income Ontario residents is included in the package of social reforms in the budget.

"There is an important link between strong social programs and the health of our economy," Nixon said.

"Recognizing the need for "high quality, affordable" child care, Nixon said the minister of community and social services is taking part in federal-provincial talks in order to formulate a national policy. However, since there are "pressing needs" in this area, he said the government will provide an additional $26 million for child care initiatives this year, raising its total commitment to child care to $185 million.

Over the next three years, Nixon said, the government will provide $33 million in capital funding for child care facilities. This will include child care spaces in all new schools and child care facilities in new commercial buildings.

At the other end of the spectrum, the treasurer said the government will increase the maximum property tax grant for senior citizens from $500 to $600 a year to help the elderly continue to live independently. An additional $100 million will also be provided over the next six years to maintain and upgrade municipal and charitable homes for the aged.

Funding will also be increased to improve the system of community support services for the disabled to allow disabled adults to maintain an independent existence in their own communities.

As well as beefing up the social services sector, Nixon stressed the need for sustained economic growth in Ontario. To meet this need, education and transportation facilities must be improved, he said.

In the latter area, Nixon said an additional $290 million is being provided over three years to repair and expand provincial roads, bridges and highways.

This includes $130 million for the greater Metro Toronto area — part of which will allow an immediate start on the construction of Highway 407 north of Metro Toronto to ease traffic congestion on Highway 401 between Mississauga and Pickering. The remaining $160 million will be spent elsewhere in the province on roads and transit.

In the field of education, the government set the capital budget at $147 million for the current fiscal year and approved a capital budget of $226 million for 1988-89.

Its commitment to education includes $100 million for renovations and repair of buildings and facilities in Ontario's colleges and universities, a $25 million (17%) increase for the Ontario Student Assistance Program, $14 million in full-year support of retraining for older workers who have been laid off, expansion of the Futures program to include assistance to workers under 25 who wish to return to school on a part-time basis, and the introduction of an interest relief plan which links repayment of student loans to each graduate's actual income.

"It is the government's top priority to improve the quality of education in Ontario," Nixon said. "This includes not only schools and post-secondary institutions, but also the entire spectrum of lifelong opportunities for learning and skills development. Education is not only essential for long-term economic growth, it is also the key to the development of each person's full potential."

In othe budget initiatives, the government announced:

• $4 million in new funds for the ministry of citizenship and culture to begin the implementation of a series of activities, including increased support to community museums and acitivities.

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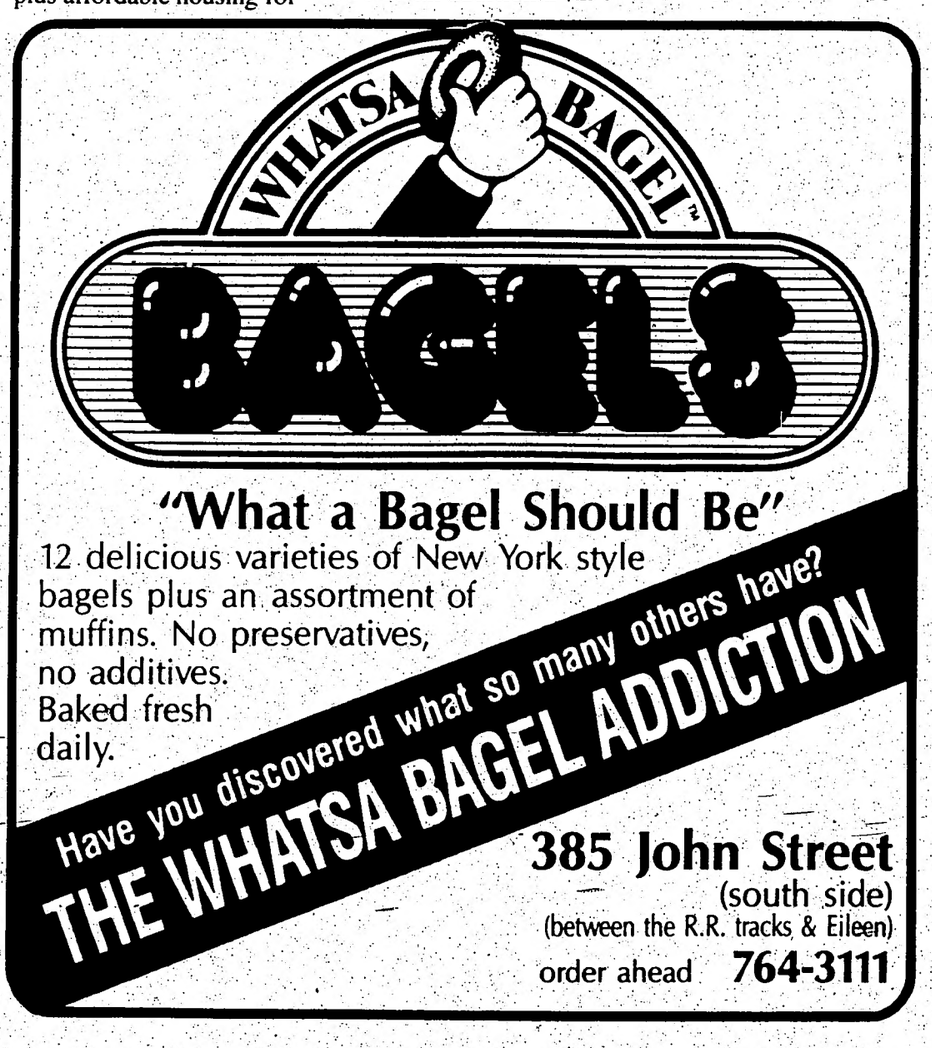
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Tribute to Israel

"Tears streamed down our faces"

Holy places untouched in battle for Jerusalem

By
LEN BUTCHER

A momentous occasion for all Israelis as Brigadier-General Uzi Narkiss, left, Gen. Moshe Dayan, centre and Chief of Staff Yitzhak Rabin victoriously enter Jerusalem.

JERUSALEM —

"On that memorable day of June 7, 1967, no Israeli, anywhere, either at home with his family, or among his fellow-soldiers on the battlefields, from faraway Sinai in the south, to the Golan Heights in the north, like no Jew in the vast Diaspora, from the forced 'silent community' in the Soviet Union, to the energetic, outspoken Jewish community in the liberal U.S.A., whatever his political or religious views, will ever forget the outpour of choked-up emotion when he heard the historic report from the paratroopers on the liberated Mount Moriah: 'The Temple Mount is in our hands' — a cry heard for the first time in almost 2,000 years by any Jew."

These are the words of Lt.-Gen. Mordecai Gur, leader of the paratroopers and the first man to break through and reach the Temple Mount.

Israel is now celebrating the 20th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem, which, if it hadn't been for an Egyptian president's ego and misinformation, may not have happened.

No one remembers it better than Uzi Narkiss, who in 1967, was the commander of the Central Military Region of Israel which included Jerusalem and Tel Aviv and who directed the assault on Jerusalem.

Today, Narkiss is the chairman of the World Zionist Organization's department of information and it was there that I caught up with him to get a first-hand account of the Six Day War.

Jerusalem had been a divided city since the State of Israel had been formed in 1948, with the West Bank and the eastern half of Jerusalem annexed to Jordan.

For the following 19 years, Arabs and Jews lived on opposite sides of an urban line that separated east from west and which was overseen by United Nations' observers.

Narkiss, a dapper man with a no-nonsense approach, remembers it well.

"There was only one passage, called the Mandelbaum Gate, which was the unofficial entrance from east to west and vice-versa, but only people with foreign passports and from countries that were not at odds with Jordan could pass through the gate. These people were mainly clergy, diplomats and journalists — but for us, it was almost impossible."

But it was only a matter of time before fate stepped in and it came in the guise of President Nasser of Egypt.

"Nasser cut the navigation line between Eilat and Africa," Narkiss says, leaning back in his chair, "which meant war between us and Egypt.

"But the Israeli government wanted to limit its fight to Egypt and not enter into a war with Jordan, because it felt it would be enough to fight the Egyptians without taking on the Jordanians as well."

That was not to be. On Monday morning, June 5, Israel's then-Prime Minister Levi Eshkol sent a cable to Jordan's King Hussein through the UN and the United States, asking him not to engage in war against Israel. He added that if Jordan did enter the war, it would be punished.

Apparently, according to Narkiss, Hussein, on receiving the cable, called Nasser for a report on the battle.

"At the time of the call, Nasser was sure the Egyptian Air Force had knocked out the Israeli Air Force and told Hussein: 'The Israeli Air Force does not exist any longer and we are on our way to Tel Aviv.' Hussein decided not to miss his chance."

Soon there was gunfire in Jerusalem, Mount Scopus was threatened and Government House was taken only hours after Hussein committed his forces to take Jerusalem.

Narkiss wasted no time. He presented a plan of military maneuvers to the Israeli general staff to prevent the capture of Mount Scopus by the Arabs and to secure the southern part of Jerusalem.

There was, however, a problem, Narkiss recalls. "There were some 120 Patton tanks stationed in Jerusalem (in then Jordanian territory) which were on their way to Jerusalem. We only had about 50 very old Sherman tanks in the area of Tel Aviv which we had to move up to Jerusalem immediately."

The battle was heating up. During the first few hours of the fighting in Jerusalem, only the Jerusalemites and Jerusalem Brigade were available to defend their city. In the meantime, the Sherman tanks were moving and five arrived not far from Mount Scopus the following morning.

This was hardly going to be a match for the enemy's 120 tanks that were on the move.

Narkiss felt the only way to stop them was to send the Israeli Air Force to attack the tanks during the night and he urged the general staff to approve his request. It was granted and although the pilots were on the verge of exhaustion, carried out an attack that disabled half of the Jordanian tank force.

But 60 tanks still arrived at a hill not far from Mount Scopus and although 60 to 5 is better than 120 to 5, they are not exactly reassuring figures.

A fierce firefight then began and despite the huge odds against them, when the shelling was over, the battlefield remained in the hands of the Israelis.

One of the key battles was the taking of Ammunition Hill and, as Narkiss explains, "the reason why it was so difficult to take was that the forces that fought for Jerusalem were reservists and many of the paratroopers had never been in Jerusalem. Also, the Jordanians had reinforced Ammunition Hill with another company."

There is a strategy in military warfare that says when you are on the attack, you should outnumber your opponents by a wide margin. The Israelis knew this, but had no choice and were forced to attack an enemy who outnumbered them.

It was a hard-fought battle, with the Jordanians fighting "extremely well." But again, the Israelis claimed victory and Narkiss gave the order to the paratroopers to take Rockefeller Museum.

"I was sure that eventually I would be authorized to penetrate into the Old City and to do that was a political decision. I wanted to be sure that when and if such a decision was made, we wouldn't have to ask general staff for a lot more time in order to do the job. So the paratroopers took Rockefeller Museum because it was only 100 metres from Herod's Gate.

"On my back I had the experience of 1948 which taught me that in Jerusalem, if you don't achieve anything today, you never know whether you will be able to do it tomorrow, because it is Jerusalem. Jerusalem is special and different from anywhere in the world, as well as in Israel."

Narkiss proved to be right. At 6 a.m. Wednesday, June 7, authorization came from the government to take the Old City.

The paratroopers wasted no time in climbing to the Mount of Olives and from there through the Lion's Gate.

At 10 a.m. they reached the Western Wall and 15 minutes later were joined by Narkiss.

"What do you do when you reach the wall after 2,000 years, with all the hopes, the sentiments, and the prayers of the Jewish people on your back? A good question."

Narkiss is silent, remembering.

"Rabbi Shlomo Goren, our chaplain, who was with us, had a good answer. He prayed.

"But we, being secular, didn't. Instead, we sang Hatikvah, with tears streaming down our faces and joy in our hearts."

And so, the battle for Jerusalem was over. It lasted only three days — about eight combat hours — and saw 183 Israeli soldiers killed, all reservists.

Changed lives

No heavy artillery nor air power was used in the battle because of a respect for the holy places. "We fought against time and I knew we had to finish it off quickly," says Narkiss, "but I didn't want to see any of the holy places hit or destroyed.

"This I accomplished, but it cost us more casualties and I was criticized for it. But I felt it was something I had to do and would do the same again.

"That was the battle for Jerusalem. A battle that changed the whole life of the Jewish people in Israel."

Mordechai Gur sums it up well when he says: "Out of Zion shall the Torah come forth. This is our goal today and in the future.

"After the military liberation of Jerusalem and the civil construction of the greater capital, we should now strive to accomplish our historic mission by uniting Jerusalem on earth with Jerusalem in Heaven, so that our traditional Jewish morals, values of life and human love and equality will again serve as a banner of justice for the whole world."

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The Israel booth at the International Fair for World Service Fund held in Ottawa was organized by women of the Ottawa Jewish community with the assistance of Amira Meir — wife of Israeli embassy counselor Gideon Meir. Booth exhibited art, cosmetics, swimwear, woodcarvings and much more.

Tribute to Israel

Dreams come true

Jewelry designer uses an ancient art on silver

By
BARBARA KINGSTONE

TEL AVIV —
First impression — flamboyant. Flaming red hair, magenta lipstick, magenta eye shadow above blue eyes, and a magenta blouse teamed with green leather skirt, hose and shoes.

Colorful? But the cover of the package is as exciting as the woman herself. Fifty-one-year-old Bat Ami Varsano is a jewelry designer par excellence. And after some conversation it becomes clear that there are two Varsanos, the designer and the Jewish mother.

Sitting in her busy, sparse and spacious Tel Aviv studio where she is constantly interrupted by the team of workers who need some advice or questions about the new computer she's installing, you sense that nothing fazes her.

Remains cool, professional

She remains cool and professional which may be one of the reasons Varsano's work has taken off in the U.S. to the point where the demand is so dramatic that she has recently bought a factory in Jerusalem.

It's a schlep from my home and studio but I have to fill the orders and I needed the space." Business now totals $1 million a year.

What the Tel Aviv artist does design is not unique, but the method — called Israeli Silver — is.

She's been in business "on and off" for 35 years and uses a method called electrotorming, an ancient art which is described as "employing electrochemical principles to form a metalic body."

The procedure starts by inserting wax into a mold which is then dunked into an electrolytic galvanic bath. This process continues until the deposit is thick. All this said, the head scratching procedure has hardly ever been used for decorative jewelry. (Even if the inner wax melts, the hollowed silver maintains its shape).

Decorated by hand with gold

The very first step however is when Varsano forms wax by hand into the desired shape. The finished product is then covered with the sterling silver bath and decorated by hand with 24-karat gold. Cost is kept down, she says, by a minimum of hand work and the use of the original molds for consecutive pieces.

It seems that Varsano has never gone out of her way to make things easier for herself. Her life has been a series of experiments. Her first foray into jewelry making was with a Yemenite craftsman. "Doing [illegible] traditional designs over and over again were not for me. I wanted to create new designs."

But her style was "too far out." Their union ended shortly after she tried to convince her employer that she make a single earring to hang from the very top of the ear to the shoulder.

Then an interval. She married and had two children within two years.

"I'm a real Jewish mother so I stayed home for 10 years."

Her two daughters now are in another jewelry business with her former husband. But she says there is definitely no competition or animosity, just goodwill. "We even all get together for the family holidays."

When she did go back into business Varsano decided to "do it my way." She divorced her first husband and became independent.

Adopts sister's children

With new enthusiasm, she built up this very successful business with the same ingenuity as the non-conforming use of materials for her very newest collection.

Varsano doesn't stop at wax; she now integrates traffic-light glass and recycled bottle glass into her huge silver pieces — especially necklaces.

"I make jewelry which I myself want to wear and have a certain look that says I know who designed that!"

Her present husband "whom I adore," is her business manager. "Otherwise," she says, "I wouldn't know who owes and who pays."

But she also credits her mother as "a rock, a constant in my life."

After her sister and brother-in-law were killed in an airplane bombing in the early 70s, she adopted their two young children, now 16½ and 18, and became a doting mother again. "But my mother was always there when the children were sick or I needed her."

Still not satisfied with the ever-growing business, Varsano, who rushes about the studio non-stop, wants to create yet another dream.

"All my dreams have come true. So I now want more. I just have to figure out what I want to do."

Large soft-looking silver jewelry from Bat Ami.

Stunning silver jewelry from Bat Ami. [Yaki Halperin photo]

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Science village gets no help from govt.

By
HAL WYNER

KFAR VRADIM — A new, experimental science village now being built in the Western Galilee seems to be shaping up as the high technology heir to Israel's unique agricultural communes, the kibbutzim.

Financed and run entirely by the residents themselves, Kfar Vradim, or Rose Garden Village, is the first town in Israel to be established without the help of government assistance or donations from abroad. In conjunction with the nearby industrial park, Tefen, where many of the residents are employed, it is expected to serve as a model, showing Israel the way to economic independence.

"Not letting a child grow up"

The idea for Kfar Vradim came from Stef Wertheimer, one of Israel's leading industrialists and owner of ISCAR Ltd., a multinational leader in the field of hard metal cutting tools with sales exceeding $100 million last year.

During the 1970s, Wertheimer was increasingly disturbed by Israel's continued dependence on economic aid from the United States and donations from well-to-do Jewish communities from abroad.

"It was like not letting a child grow up," he explains.

The key to Israel's economic independence, as Wertheimer sees it, lies in high technology: export industries which depend not on natural resources, which Israel does not have, but on brain-power, which it does.

Wertheimer would like to see the Israeli landscape dotted by small to mid-sized towns offering their residents a high quality of life: high living standards and creative employment in neighboring, highly productive industrial parks built to harmonize with the environment, rather than harm it.

Kfar Vradim is the first of these villages. Located in the hills of the Western Galilee, some eight miles from Israel's northern, Lebanese, border, it is surrounded by some of the country's most beautiful landscape.

Planned for an eventual population of 10,000, the town is still in the incubation stage. The first 600 plots of land were offered for sale three years ago. Of those, 450 have been sold so far, and over 100 families have already completed building their homes and moved in.

The first public building to be erected was the school, which now boasts a student population of nearly 200, in grades 1 through 6.

All public construction is being paid for with the money received through the sale of the housing plots.

"We even built the roads on our own," says Wertheimer, who is also building a home in Kfar Vradim. "We didn't ask the government for help."

Included in the $20,000 pricetag for each housing plot is more than just clean air and a magnificent view. Each plot has been equipped with all necessary utilities and the wiring for an advanced communications network including telephone, cable television, video and access to a computer which will provide information on the stock market, the weather, bank accounts and whatever else for which a need might arise.

Wertheimer hopes that many of the residents will find work at the Tefen Industrial park, only a 5-minute drive away. Open only to non-smokestack companies producing high-technology products for export, Tefen has been designed with as much emphasis on the word park as on industry.

Landscaped as an open-air sculpture museum, it provides an atmosphere which allows the people employed there to associate work with creativity, rather than feeling like mere cogs in a huge industrial machine.

"High standard of living"

Kfar Vradim's main attraction is the high standard of living it offers — the highest in Israel, according to Wertheimer. And many of the first settlers are Israelis who left the country years ago in search of business opportunities in the United States.

In Kfar Vradim they can continue to live in the style they grew accustomed to in the U.S. and many of them have brought their businesses back to Israel with them. "The same thing they were doing over there, they're now doing here," says Wertheimer.

Residence at Kfar Vradim is open to anybody who thinks he will fit in, including Arabs. "This is the only place in Israel where Arabs are completely welcome, too."

In fact, that was one of the reasons he chose this region for the Kfar Vradim experiment.

"The Galilee has the densest population of Arabs and Jews in all of Israel. This will be a base for changing the Galilee, so that the area will start to think not about Arabs and Jews, but about how to sell products to Japan and America. That will keep them out of mischief."

High on Stef Wertheimer's list of Israel's true heros are the members of the first kibbutz "who decided not to take any free money from Rothschild.

"They changed Israel's outlook," he explains. For future generations, Stef Wertheimer and the other residents of Kfar Vradim may well turn out to be the high-tech heroes of their day. (WZPS)

Industrialist and creator of Kfar Vradim, Stef Wertheimer, stands in front of a sculpture in the town. [Frank Smith photo]

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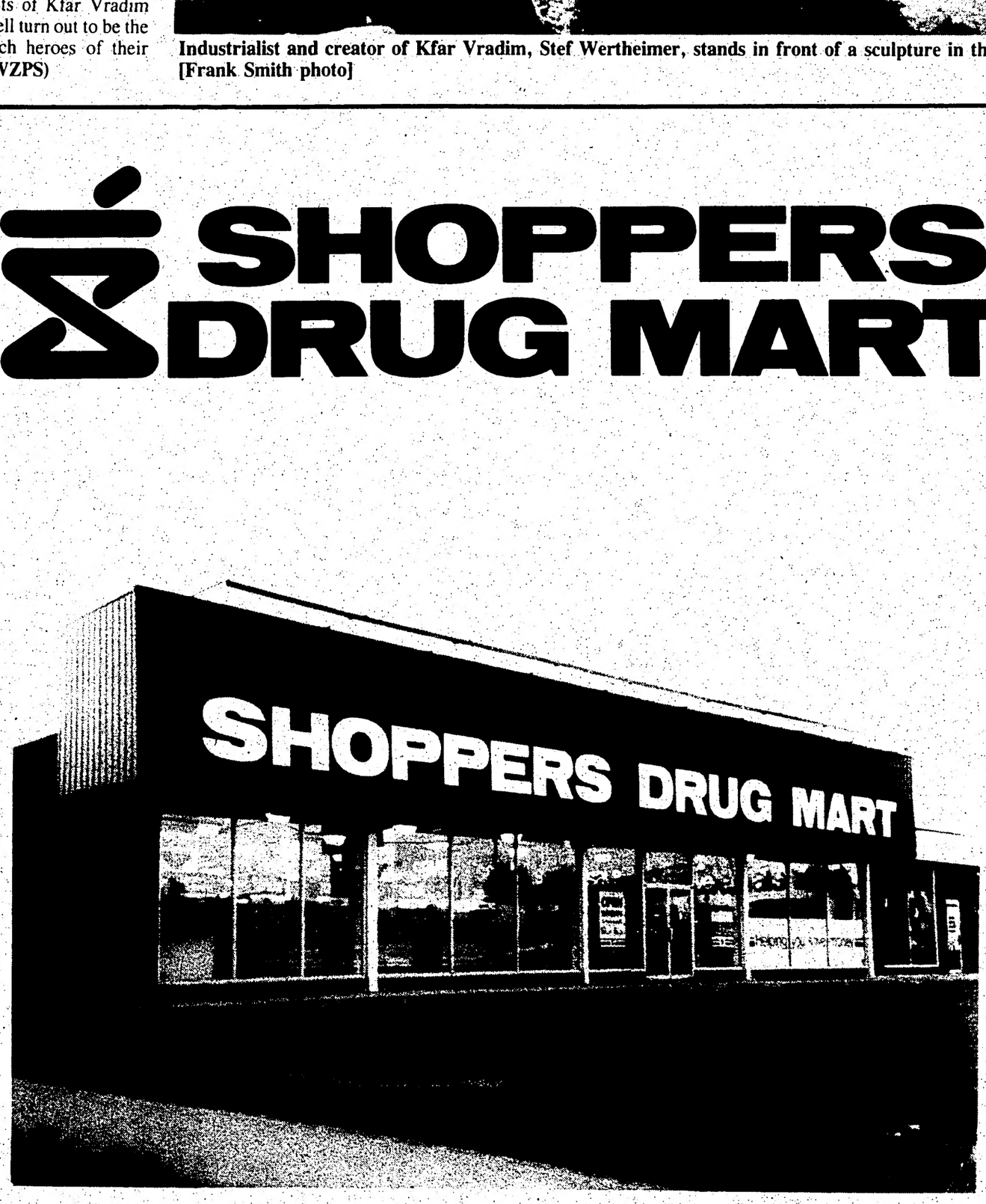

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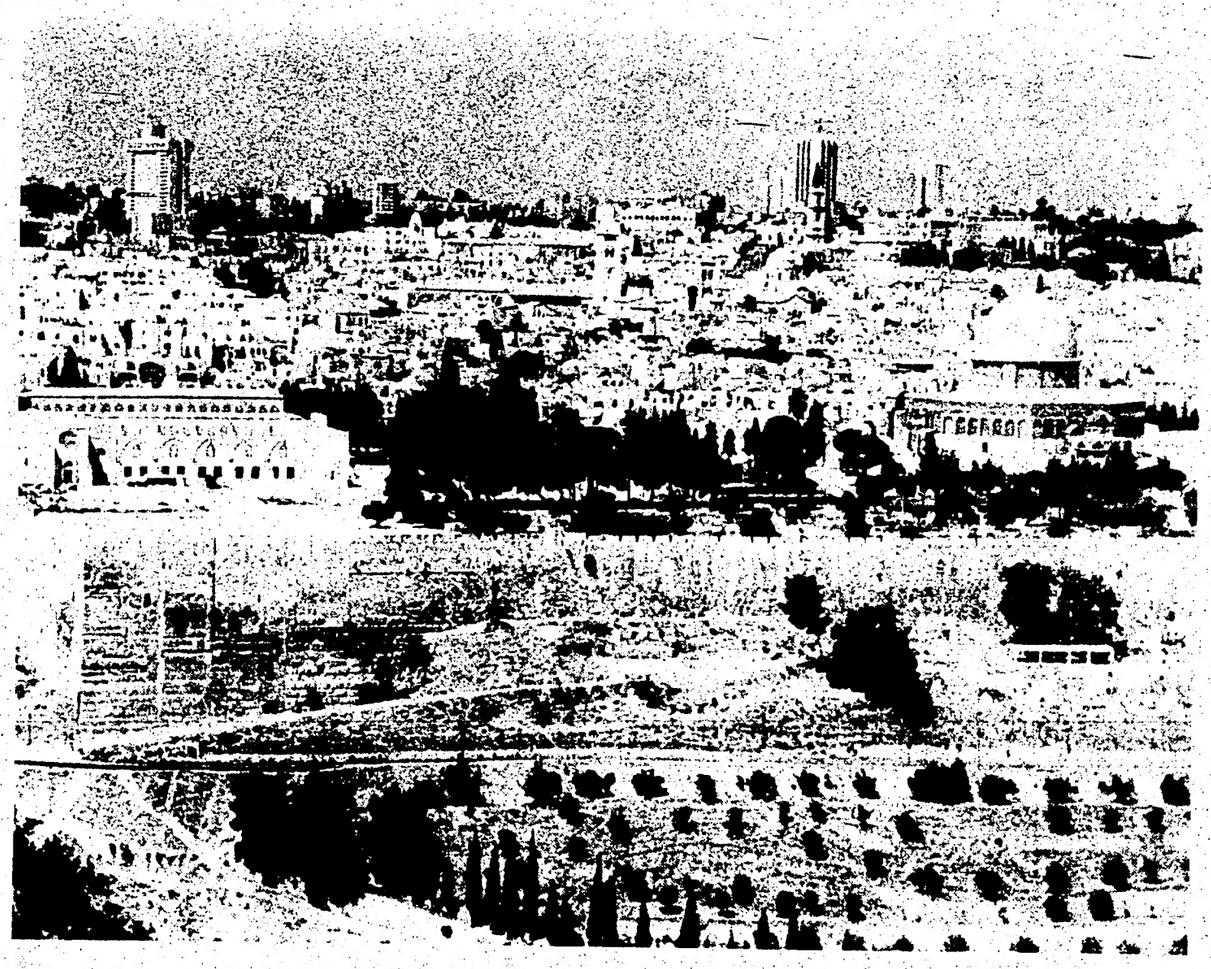

The beauty of Jerusalem evokes strong emotions.

Love for Jerusalem grows

By
DVORA WAYSMAN

JERUSALEM (WZPS) — There has always been the question of whether a city is shaped by the people who inhabit it or if they are somehow moulded by the city they live in. The truth probably lies somewhere in-between...except, perhaps, in the case of Jerusalem.

I have no doubt that I have been changed by Jerusalem. Fifteen years of living in the most beautiful city in the world has sharpened my sensitivities, heightened my awareness of history and added a dimension of pure joy to my life.

Sometimes, when the sun breaks out unexpectedly on a cold winter day and the gray stone is dappled with gold, I think to myself: how lucky I am, how privileged to be living where "Ten measures of beauty came to earth, and nine were taken by Jerusalem."

This gratitude has been a bonus — an unexpected gift. For the decision to come to Israel was not mine, but my husband's. My love of Jerusalem grew imperceptibly. I was not aware of it until it slowly took root and became part of the very fibre of my being. Now, whenever I leave even for a week or two, it feels like an amputation. I am only whole when I am in Jerusalem.

At school, history was a subject that bored me. The tedious memorizing of dates and battles and reigns. But today, I feel history in the streets beneath my feet. I marvel at the first settlers some 5,000 years ago whose identity is lost in the mists of time, but who chose to make their homes on the steep ridge called the Ophel, south of today's Old City. Two thousand years later, David captured it from the Jebusites and brought the Holy Ark to Jerusalem, establishing forever its sanctity for the Jewish people.

Sense the agony

How many nations have lusted after Jerusalem and fought bloody battles to capture it? Archaeology reveals layer after layer of civilizations that existed for a time and then were vanquished.

Sometimes, when you walk its streets, you can sense the agony of the ages. There are some very ancient trees in Jerusalem...gnarled olive trees centuries old, pines pointing heavenward that sigh and grieve for bygone tragedies to which they have borne silent witness.

And history is no longer a matter of dates. It means identifying with those who lived here before you, sharing their pain and their dreams.

Day in, day out, in my work or through my social contacts, sometimes by mere accident, I find human treasures. I meet poets and artists. I meet deeply spiritual people and secularists who are nevertheless touched by the God they don't acknowledge. I see children with suntanned limbs and laughing eyes, and old people whose faces are lined with wisdom.

One of my dear friends has a treasure-house in her lounge-room. An archaeology buff, she proudly shows me pottery shards and delicate pieces of Roman glass. Everything has a story. Once I would have thought such possessions junk. Today I recognize their value.

Yes, Jerusalem has changed me. It has given a set of values unconnected to materialism. What did I ever possess to compare with a walk in the Jerusalem Forest, the surrounding hills at sunset, the quality of light that seduces the senses and touches the commonplace with magic?

Jerusalem is too old to be affected by me and my compatriots, for we are part of the passing parade. But I have been transformed by this city I love.

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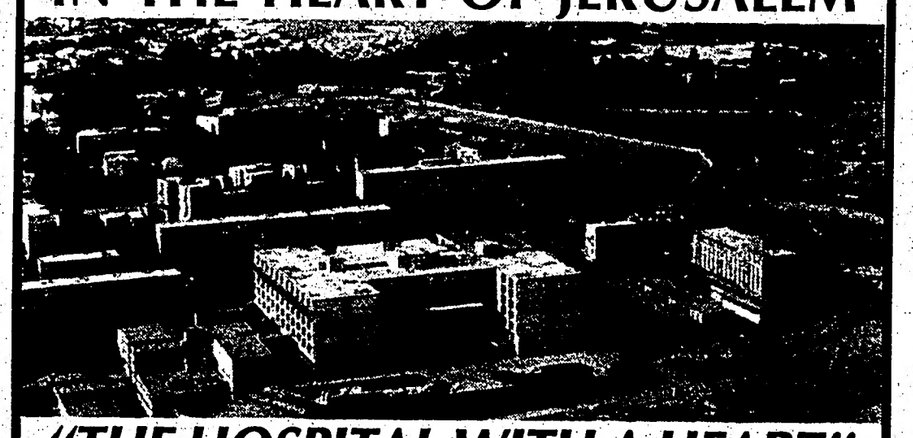

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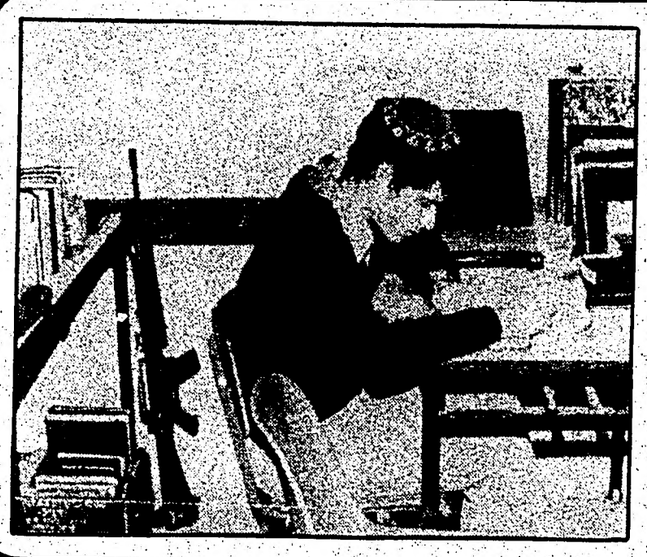

"They that built ... and they that ore burdens ... every one with one of his hands working, and with the other held his weapon. And the builders, every one had his sword girded by his side, and so built ... And I said unto the nobles, and to the rulers and to the rest of the people: 'The work is great and large ... our G-d will fight for us.'"
Nehemiah 4, 11-15

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Jewish dentist opens office in Moslem quarter

By
SUSAN BASS

JERUSALEM (WZPS) – In the Middle East, people tend to live with their own kind. Cities are divided into Christian neighborhoods, Jewish neighborhoods, Moslem Neighborhoods. Thus, the Old City of Jerusalem contains four "quarters": Jewish, Christian, Armenian, Moslem.

For the most part, people stay in their "own" quarter, but here and there someone crosses the invisible line. One year ago, Serouya Geula stepped across that line. A Jewish woman, born in Morocco 36 years ago, she opened a dental office in the Moslem quarter of the Old City.

Asked "why?" she replies, "Why not?" and goes on to explain what motivated her to move her practice from the centre of modern "downtown" Jerusalem, to a 300-year-old building which needed to be completely renovated.

Sought destroyed, deserted place

The idea to move to the Moslem quarter began to germinate in the Zionist atmosphere of the Jewish community of Morocco. Geula's Zionism focused on Jerusalem. As a young child, she listened to the prayers about Jerusalem and imagined how the city would look. She sees the return of the Jewish people to its own land as a miracle, but Jerusalem as "the miracle of miracles." When she made aliya at the age of 17, shortly after the Six-Day War, this was the "realization of a dream."

Geula studied dentistry at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, after which she opened her practice on King George Street, in central Jerusalem, and continued to work there for seven years.

Three years ago, after the birth of her fourth child, she took a break from working and, after discussing her idea with her engineer husband, decided that when she returned to her practice, she wanted to make a change.

She wanted, through her work, to contribute more to Jerusalem. "I wanted to build in Jerusalem. So I sought a place that was destroyed, sad, deserted . . . a place where my presence could make a difference."

She considered the Old City's Jewish quarter. But she found there "the most beautiful place in the **Moslem quarter because so few Jews live there: "Jerusalem for me means world,"** and concluded that the Jewish quarter did not need her clinic. Having heard that a few Jewish families lived in the Moslem quarter, she decided to explore this section of the Old City.

Here, barely five minutes away from the magnificent Jewish quarter, she came upon a neighborhood that appeared "sad and abandoned." A modern dental clinic, she thought, could make all the difference to this neighborhood.

Geula also decided that she wanted to be in the all of Jerusalem — not a city with a cavity in the middle." And she wanted to be there because of history: "This is the part of the city closest to the Temple Mount. Once Jews lived here."

Geula eventually rented a space in a building which had recently been purchased by Ataret Cohanim Association, an organization which encourages Jewish settlement in the Moslem quarter. She recalls that the first time she saw the site of her clinic "it was without a floor, without a ceiling . . . a large frightening black hole." She fled, and for six months tried to forget about the idea.

Then she decided to consult a building contractor. She eventually brought five contractors to the building, and each told her that renovation was impossible. The sixth contractor agreed to take on the job.

Geula drew up a design for a modern clinic, with simple functional elegance, yet fully in tune with its surroundings. One existing stone wall was carefully repaired and cleaned and left exposed. The other walls were plastered and freshly painted.

A marble floor, colored glass windows, a handsome wooden door, a high domed ceiling, a small waiting room and modern dental equipment all contribute to the successful blending of old and new, East and West.

Geula opened the clinic in December, 1985. Most of her patients followed her to the new location, despite the fact it is more inconvenient for them to travel to the Old City.

How does Geula view her relations with her Arab neighbors? When she opened her clinic, her nearest neighbors invited her in for coffee. During power blackouts or water stoppages, her neighbors bring in candles and water.

She says that Jews and Arabs must seek a way to live together in "reciprocal honor . . . We haven't found a formula, but we must keep trying."

But at the same time, she holds to a Messianic view of history which sees the Arabs as temporary neighbors, as "here for the moment . . . like a temporary filling."

Slowly, one by one, Arab patients have begun to arrive and Geula's Arabic has improved. The little she knows she learnt from the men, as the women who visit her surgery never speak.

In some small measure, the clinic provides a meeting place for Jews and Arabs. The city recognized this in December, 1986, shortly after yeshiva student Eliahu Amedi was murdered by three Arabs on a deserted street in the Moslem quarter.

Seeking a way to calm tensions between Moslem residents and the 20 Jewish families who live in the quarter, the city decided to arrange a meeting between Jews and Arabs.

They needed a "neutral" location for such a gathering and it was decided that Geula's clinic would be acceptable to everyone. She readily agreed to lend her waiting room, and neighbors gathered there one evening, four days after the murder.

After one year, Dr. Geula seems to be putting down roots in the Moslem quarter and feels good about her decision to work there. She says, simply: "I am trying to realize my dream."

Dr. Serouya Geula with patient in her clinic in the Old City's Moslem quarter. The renovations she made to the building blend old and new, East and West. [WZPS photo by Richard Nowitz]

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Grandmother keeps close eye on her empire

Leah Gottlieb — the force behind Gottex.

By
BARBARA KINGSTONE

TEL AVIV —

Petite, gray haired, elegantly dressed in a navy Chanel ensemble, Leah Gottlieb at first glance doesn't look like a business tycoon and executive of the world famous Gottex, the mega-dollar swimwear manufacturers.

The 68-year-old founder is still surprised at her success and after 31 years is still concerned about "the next collection."

The Israeli-based company now has far reaching importance and sells worldwide to 61 countries grossing over $40 million U.S. each year.

The white office where Gottlieb spends much of her time is simple. There are no major paintings hanging from the white walls, no grand sculptures sitting on the shelves, no costly antique furniture shouting "success."

Instead, there are displays of fashion photos from Vogue, Elle and Harpers which sit on simple white furniture. But what there is in abundance are home-made pastries which she seryes with coffee, making this interviewer feel as though she was meeting with an old friend.

Gottlieb's husband of 48 years, Armin, sits in on most of the interview before having to go off to another meeting. Although his English is not as fluent as his wife's, he lets it be known how proud he is of her and the success of their business.

"After all these years of spending 24 hours a day together I still find Armin the most exciting and special person," says Leah Gottlieb with respect and adoration.

Their beginning in business would take great chutzpah nowadays. With no professional training in fashion, the Hungarian-born grandmother and her Czech-born husband started in the fashion business manufacturing raincoats.

However, when the Gottliebs moved to Israel in 1949 they realized that with the short winters, long summers and very little downpour, rainwear was definitely not the right division of apparel to pursue.

Gottlieb thought about the climate with its eight to nine months of summer and researched the possibility of a more logical area — swimwear.

Now with a staff of 850, all the designs, cutting, manufacturing and shipping is done in the huge 4-storey building on the outskirts of Tel Aviv — conspicuous by the multi-colored trim on the large white exterior.

The only country where there is a licensee to manufacture the line is Mexico, where imports are virtually nonexistent. But for items like watches and sunglasses, Gottex have contracted licensees to produce these accessories.

A large part of each year is marked off the calendar for traveling. The Gottliebs attend all the pret-a-porter shows in Europe plus the fabric marts. (They had both returned the day before from the European shows but neither showed the slightest fatigue or jet lag. which she attributes to a regular exercise regime).

Their two daughters help with the workload and are totally involved in the business. Miriam looks after operations in New York while Judith helps with the designing in Israel.

Reminiscing about the first suits, Gottlieb talks about the inferior cotton and elastic they had to use.

Now it's not unusual for her to go to an Italian fabric mill and have them develop, with her input, exclusive materials. She also will go to Italy for one fabric and France for another, then combine them into one suit in Israel.

"We look for only the highest quality. We've tried many times to get certain fabrics here but it isn't possible. There's no lycra in Israel and we're obliged to buy abroad."

Each year the copyists from the other manufacturers look to Gottex and the following year certain items show up in their competitor's line. This year, the Gottliebs foresee their newest fabric development, lycra with laminated metallic, developed jointly by Gottex and an Italian mill becoming the sought-after material for their competition's next season.

Another original is a special knit linen from France combined with Italian satin which will turn heads on the beach or poolside this summer.

The groupings for 87 are varied and stunning. However, the Marilyn Monroe grouping — looking very much like the 60s originals — caused some legal concern from the late actress's estate.

The three MM look-alike suits checked out very well with retailers. One is a halter-necked plunging front black shiny suit with a short sexy skirt. Another is the familiar 2-piece, almost bare backed, plunging front with ruched shorts.

The Audrey Hepburn suit is a stunning, unusually interesting cross backed satin and lycra suit and Carole Lombard is a maillot of striped knit linen and satin.

The Hermes print, now popular from blouses to scarves, is a grouping with the familiar Hermes symbols and comes in bikinis and maillot styles. There are also solid slenderizing-seamed satin lycra suits.

Tarzan is a witty classic with a huge tiger's face on the front. And Safari is a mix between Out of Africa and a tropical jungle in muted khaki, red and black, here featuring a seductive boned bra.

Then there are the head-turners in sequins, a great grouping of black and white in stripes or swirls from 2-piece to maillot and an interesting 1-piece, which from the back looks like a 2-piece suit. The collection is complemented by matching tops and robes.

Of course there's the now famous python look in laminated fabric.

Gottlieb's personal preference is always solid, always navy. She hates black anything.

As for 1988 which is now in production, the word is "mum."

Mrs. G isn't saying anything except it will be the best collection yet. "Stress makes me creative and so every season is better than the last."

One wonders after seeing the 87 collection whether that's possible. . . .

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Company packages the Dead Sea mud and salts

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Whenever I'm in Israel, I always go down to the Dead Sea to smear myself with the black mud and float in the salt-laden water. It makes me feel great.

And now, the mud and the salts that are scooped up from the Dead Sea, are packaged in attractive shiny black boxes by an Israeli company called Jericho, and brought to Canada by Lark Agencies Ltd.

For centuries, thousands of people from all over the world have flocked to spas and health resorts along the Israeli coastline near Masada for therapeutic treatments.

Although medical research has not yet substantiated all the claims, it is commonly believed that Dead Sea treatments will cure skin diseases, rheumatism and arthritis and even calm your jangled nerves. All Jericho products are approved by the Israeli health authorities.

No one really can say exactly why, but more and more people are giving testimony that these products produce "fantastic, amazing and even miraculous results."

Forget about the foul smell, it's the results that count

"I'm a "show-me" person, so I decided to try the mud and the bath salts. After opening the package of mud that boasts, "From the Promised Land Comes Promised Relief," and after getting over the foul smell, I covered my face with a thin layer of mud. Within moments, it began to harden and I had a tightening and tingling sensation.

After 15 minutes, I rinsed off the dried mud with warm water (no soap) and voila — my skin felt soft and I had a nice healthy glow.

Filling my bathtub, I dumped a package of bath salts into the warm water and immersed myself for about 15 minutes. After rinsing off the salt, I followed the instructions on the package and took a rest for half an hour.

I must admit, I don't know if it was the rest or the therapeutic effect of the mud and salts, but I felt great. So I decided to learn more about these products.

The Dead Sea sits more than 1,300 feet below sea level — a landlocked lake. It has an enormous mineral concentration, greater than any other place in the world.

Among the minerals that have dissolved in the Dead Sea are calcium, sodium, bromide, magnesium, potassium and sulphur. The mud on the shore is rich with asphalt, salts and minerals, having physical properties that make it suitable for therapeutic use, according to a 1983 report by the head of the department of medicine at the Hasharon Hospital in Petah-Tiqva, Israel.

Since the time of King Solomon and Batsheva when the court physicians discovered the healing and rejuvenating powers of the Dead Sea, millions of sufferers have come to the ancient land because they believed that these minerals provide a long list of relief and cures that have become legendary.

Marlene Lupa, the spokesman for Lark says that the response to Jericho's natural products has been "fabulous." She adds that they are moderately priced when compared to other European imports. "I'm not only the representative for Jericho, but a faithful user."

Tory Garber, the fashion advisor for Brettons Promenade, says that although they have only carried Jericho products for a month, by word-of-mouth, they already have had good feedback from their clients.

"Helps cleanse the skin"

"It is excellent. It helps cleanse the skin — it revs up your blood circulation and you get a good glow for two or three days. And it clears up blemishes."

Elizabeth Dinshaw, an esthetician at Michael Kluthe is also enthusiastic about the mud and salts. "We use it professionally and retail Jericho products and they definitely have a healing affect."

She adds that if you have any lesions, eczema, acne or dermatitis, it dries it out, heals it and rejuvenates the cells. "It has a tightening effect and the mud comes off easily." She recommends that you use a moisturizer after a treatment.

There are also other Jericho products available in Canada including bubble baths, freshener, hair shampoo and a variety of creams.

Lupa says the products are available at Brettons in the Promenade, Square One and Ottawa Rideau; Eatons — Yorkdale and Eaton Centre; Sunspot Solarium — Sheppard Centre, 730 Yonge St., Sheraton Centre and 120 Cumberland Ave. — Michael Kluthe Salon on Yonge at St. Clair, and at The Source, Don Mills and Finch.

I can't vouch for a cure for skin problems or for aching bones, but if you want to have some fun, relax and feel refreshed, just slap on the Israeli mud or jump into a salt bath and you can enjoy a bit of Israel right here at home.

Marlene Lupa, representative for the company that imports Jericho products, applies a black mud facial to spa client.

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Number of employees doubles

Israeli pharmaceutical firm growing in Canada

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —
Taro Pharmaceuticals Inc. might well be called the little company that could.

Having recently celebrated its third birthday, the Canadian "child" of Taro Vit Industries Ltd. in Israel is doing well, and is poised to do better, says general manager Richard Fedy.

Though the parent company incurred a 1986 loss of $488,759 primarily as a result of year-end adjustments and continued high costs of research and development, sales jumped to (U.S.) $6,067,676 from $5,047,383 in 1985.

Taro, he says, is expanding in Canada; does business with several Caribbean countries, is the only Canadian generic pharmaceutical company approved to sell its products in the U.S.; and has begun to crack the "Pacific Rim" with sales to Hong Kong and Taiwan.

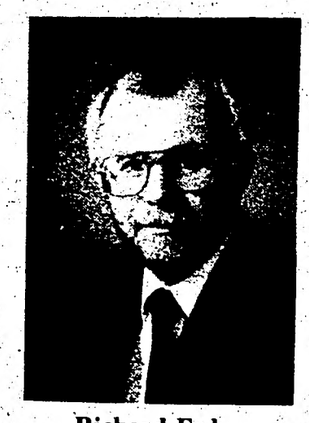
And though Taro's principal product line has been topical corticosteroids (used for skin diseases), it recently expanded its facilities and purchased the special machinery to enter the lucrative tablet and capsule-making segment of the industry.

All of this is good news for Taro Vit in Israel which synthesizes the raw materials for the Canadian branch.

It's also not bad for Canada given the international business Taro does, and the fact that in three years the company has doubled the number of its employees from 20 to about 40.

Taro Vit is today probably among the top five companies of its type in Israel, but is still not a "major player," says Fedy.

That is why Taro Vit began to look to increase its international business. In April 1984, it purchased K-Line Pharmaceuticals Ltd. in Toronto.



Richard Fedy

Taro still operates in Toronto from K-Line's former (but expanded) quarters at 305 Supertest Rd. where it tests, manufactures, packages, and ships out its product.

Fedy explains that Taro Vit's interest in 12-year-old K-Line was based partly on its being the only Canadian company to sell its generic products in the U.S.

Having achieved high production standards (known in the industry as GMP or "Good Manufacturing Practices") K-Line qualified for approval of both Canada's health protection branch and the U.S. food and drug administration.

It also has a financial advantage in the U.S. market based on lower labor costs and a rate of exchange beneficial to Canada, Fedy notes.

Our mandate, says Fedy, "is to expand our sales in both the Canadian and various export markets.

"Our strength at the moment is largely in Ontario and Quebec, but we have recently added sales representatives in British Columbia and Alberta."

And while Taro's major thrust is in the dermatological area, Fedy says Taro recently received compulsory licences for the Canadian market for three new items, topical anti-fungals for dermal fungus and a potent topical tropicosteroid.

He predicts that because of expansion into new markets, Taro will grow in three to five years to sales in the tens of million dollars range.

That growth will be helped, he adds, by moving more into over the counter drugs; third party manufacturing (making a product for another company under the Taro label); and private labeling (making another company's product to be sold under that company's label).

While Taro and Taro Vit are generic drug companies (producing products "bio-equivalent" to those already on the market), "we have developed in our Israeli parent some new and innovative drug products in the anti-convulsant (stopping convulsions and seizures) line," says Fedy.

"For a small company, we have a capable and prolific product development group in both Israel and Canada," says Fedy. One full-time and two part-time people work in Toronto in this area.

In addition to that strength, uncommon to generic manufacturers, Taro is also assisted by an advisory board of senior people in the drug and related industries.

And Taro, he continues, has been slowed neither by the Arab boycott of Israel, which has had no effect; nor the possible passage of Bill C-22.

The legislation would create a period of exclusivity to pharmaceutical manufacturers for 10 years.

The bill, says Fedy, "will have negligible impact on our business because we have already been granted a number of compulsory licences.

"Most are for products which have been on the market for more than 10 years.

"For the generic segment of the pharmaceutical industry, the passage of Bill C-22 will be detrimental because it will lock us out of the market for 10 years.

As far as free trade is concerned, Fedy believes Taro would benefit from such an agreement.

"As we are currently expanding our business into the U.S. market at a good rate, our expansion would be accelerated as the various tariffs and duties were removed."

Lots of excitement as city celebrates

JERUSALEM —
This ancient city is taking on a new glow of excitement this year with an international celebration of the 20th anniversary of the city's reunification.

There will be solemn ceremony, song and dance, sports and festivals, to mark Jerusalem as a city of peace, with spectators, participants and performers drawn from all over the world. These events will continue through June.

On May 26, a canopy of laser beams arched over the city to set the stage for a spectacular fireworks display as Jerusalem saluted two decades as a living laboratory of universality: different religions, cultures and lifestyles sharing together this historic centre of ancient civilization.

The reunification anniversary also coincides with the annual Israel Festival, which runs to June 14, and will act as a colorful prelude to the ceremonies scheduled for 1988 to mark the 40th year of Israel's independence.

To hail Jerusalem as a spiritual, cultural and artistic focal point, a wide range of activities has been set for the reunification celebrations. May 27 was officially proclaimed as Jerusalem Day, and there were special sessions of the government and Knesset. Medals were struck and commemorative English-language albums and maps published.

There will be specially composed artistic works, sports competitions, exhibitions, street fairs and festivals, and a sound-and-light show for some 10,000 young pilgrims who will gather from around the world.

Events related to the Israel Festival will provide many of the cultural activities during the 3-month celebration period, and there will be world premieres of several new dance and musical works, plus the new staging of the opera Carmen by Britain's Peter Brook and an opera-oratorio composed and directed by Elizabeth Swados.

There will also be mime (a "Midsummer Night's Dream" will be performed by Tomashevsky's mime group from Poland), street performers, world premieres — "Jerusalem," two new works performed by the famous Bat Dor Dance Company — folkloric presentations, and even a showing of the 1916 silent film classic, "Intolerance," by D. W. Griffith, with accompaniment by a 76-piece orchestra.

One of the uniquely lovely cities in the world, Jerusalem's bustling and colorful squares and streets at various times will be gaily draped with flowers and decorations, storefronts and display windows will be decked out in finery and there will be a special display of huge dolls placed throughout city streets.

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Stern spurs young musicians to greater heights

By MORDECHAI BENJAMIN

JERUSALEM —

"No! On tum-ra-ta-ta-tum, you are oo-ee-ar, la-di-di, making a speech. You have something to say . . . Now really put the third finger down . . . Yes!"

The great American violinist Isaac Stern stands before neophyte Ofer Falk and — with his whole rotund form — urges, coaxes, wills the boy to a new level of musicianship.

The 15-year-old Israeli prodigy in jeans and jogging shoes tucks his violin under his chin and launches again into the Schumann piece he has selected to show off his prowess.

Stern cocks his head, slides an imaginary instrument under his own chin, plays along for a moment, then stops.

"Those three notes, da-di-da, yes. There's a whole world there. Once you have them you can go on. Once more, now. . . ."

Thirty youngsters, aged between 10 and 17, sit around the walls of the Jerusalem Music Center's auditorium and watch the maestro, some straining to understand his rapid English.

Like Ofer — who, at the age of four, began pestering his bewildered Yemenite parents for a violin — they are all here by virtue of exceptional talent. They are the musical cream of a country that takes music-making very seriously indeed.

There is not a kid in this auditorium who does not dream of following fellow-countrymen Itzhak Perlman, Daniel Barenboim and Pinchas Zukerman right to the flood-lit centre stage of international stardom.

For now, though, their patron is the portly, benign Stern, who has been the "godfather" of young Israeli musicians for several decades.

Stern is president of the American-Israel Cultural Foundation, which provides scholarships to dozens of Israeli musicians and artists.

Several times a year he visits Israel — where he is regarded as something of a national treasure — to give concerts with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and to hold master-classes.

We meet on one of Isaac Stern's routine days in Israel: He has appointments with Prime Minister Shimon Peres, President Chaim Herzog and a meeting with the Board of Governors of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation, before driving himself to Kibbutz Ein Harod in the Galilee for a concert that evening.

But right now, Isaac Stern is giving all his attention to 16-year-old Hagai Shaham, who, like Ofer Falk, is a pupil of the remarkable Ilana Feher, doyenne of Israeli violin teachers. From her tiny flat in Holon, she set Perlman and Zukerman on their paths to fame.

Hagai plays Bach's *Chaconne* sublimely. Stern, rocked back in his chair, eyes closed, seems to be asleep. Suddenly he sits up. "Ya-da-da, ya-da-da, *dum!* A little stronger with the fingers . . . That's it!"

Then he gets up, takes the fiddle from Hagai and runs through a passage to illustrate his point.

"Hold the violin a little this way," he says, lifting the instrument and opening up his shoulders. "The way you hold it robs you of the full power. The idea is that the fiddle should be a part of you.

"Now, use a lot of bow, let it flow, let the sound open up. One-two, one-two. Don't rush! Play it on a melody, see what the composer wants to say. He gives it to you all the time. He writes it out constantly. Listen to the man."

The last notes die away. Stern stands for a moment, head bowed, hands clasped behind his back. "You played very, very well," he says quietly. "You've worked very hard."

Then he turns and says to no one in particular, "He's very like Perlman in style." The boy smiles and glances at his parents in the balcony. The punishing hours of work and sacrifice suddenly seem worthwhile.

Now it is time for an informal rap session and the maestro draws the youngsters closer to him. He exudes a warmth that melts away their adolescent shyness, and soon the questions are flowing.

"How do you overcome anxiety and pre-performance nerves?" asks an angular pianist in heavily Russian-accented English.

"Oh, my dear," laughs Stern, "if I knew how to answer that . . . The only answer is — you don't. You have to learn to live with fear, understand it, make it work for you by giving an edge to your performance.

"There's not a great musician I know who is not nervous before a performance. And it doesn't get easier. The older you get and the more you know, the more you realize how dangerous it is.

"The deciding factor," Stern tells the youngsters, "is having something to say and finding a way to say it. What makes an artist is the ability to synthesize the composer's voice with his own.

"Essentially, it is not enough to know how to play. What you must think about is why you play, why you choose to be a musician. Is it to earn a living? To travel? That's not good enough.

"You have to feel that something inside that makes you wake up one morning, look up and say, 'Thank you for letting me know how beautiful a sound can be.' When you play and feel something happen inside, that's music."

"I'm not a child prodigy anymore, nor yet a professional musician," says 17-year-old pianist/composer Tomer Lev.

"Either I find a way to break through and become a mature artist with something to say or they'll be able to say of me, 'Nothing came true of Tomer's dream — he spent his life in mediocrity.'"

Unlike most of his counterparts abroad, Tomer faces the additional hurdle of three years' compulsory military service at a critical time in his career.

And even without that, he has an acute awareness of the enormous odds against realizing his dream.

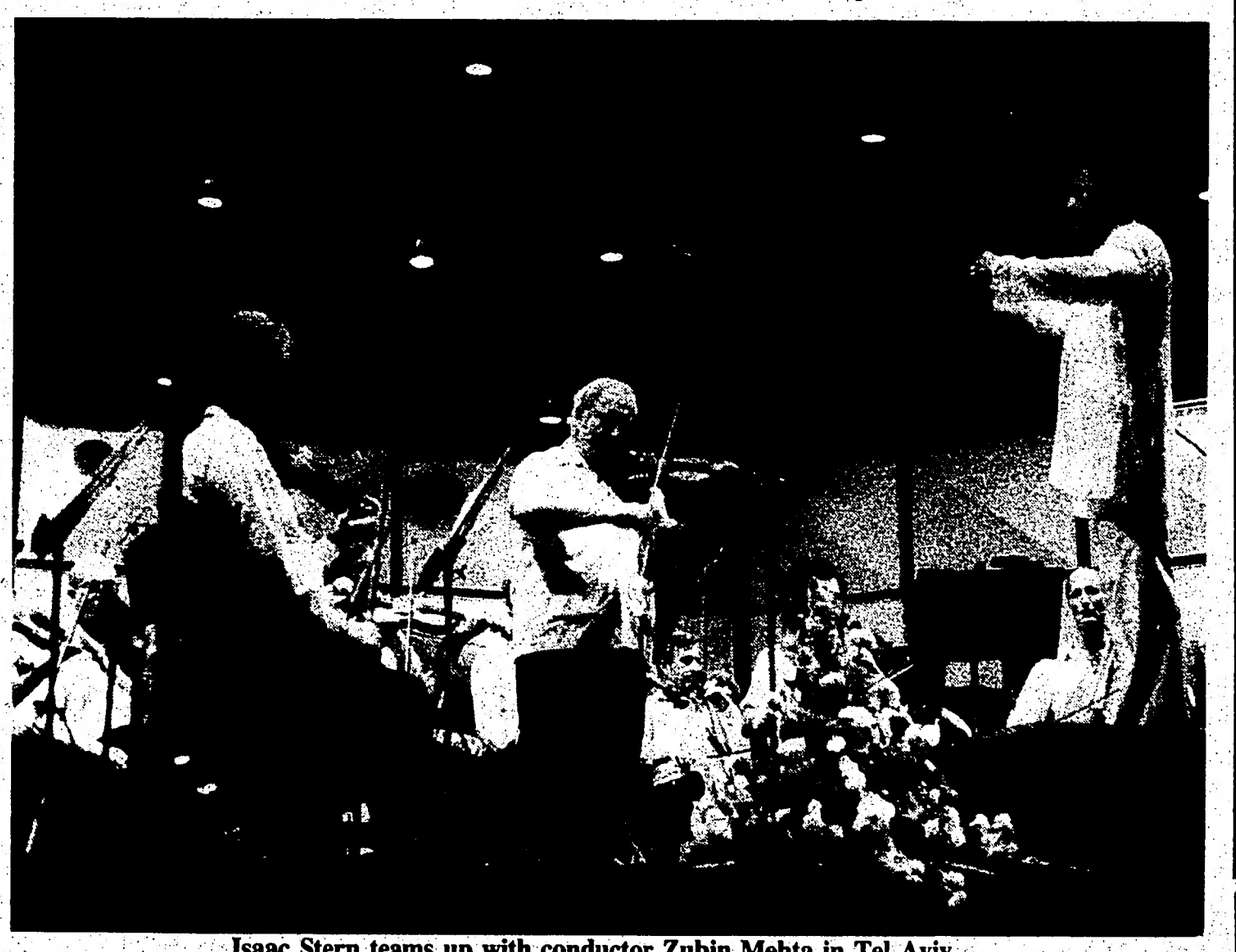
"Many times I have thought it is useless, just useless, to program myself to be a soloist, to be famous. Statistically, it's almost impossible. There is maybe half a per cent chance that I'll be somebody.

"The trouble is that I don't want to end up as a frustrated piano teacher who is occasionally invited to give a concert at the Tel Aviv Museum to which my parents and my uncle will come. For that I spent my life? To find out at the age of 30 or 40 that I have chased an illusion?"

Isaac Stern understands Tomer's dilemma. He knows well the odds against success and the bitter struggle involved in achieving it.

"The level of talent in Israel is exceptionally high," he says. "I believe this is because Israel is an amalgam of talents from East and West, a country in which the need for art as a natural part of life has been integrated into the society since its inception.

"In addition, of course, the need to play is in the roots of the Jewish people. For generations, music has been a means of expression, a way of leaving the ghetto and finding opportunities in a larger world."



Isaac Stern teams up with conductor Zubin Mehta in Tel Aviv.

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By LEN BUTCHER

TEL AVIV — In 1986, Israel's textile and clothing exports, totaled some $476 million, a 24% increase over 1985's figure of $382 million. Clothing and fashionwear export accounted for $328 million in 1986, also up 24% from the preceding year.

Woven exports recorded a 50% increase while swim suits registered a 38% hike. Knitwear exports rose 32% and raw materials exported by the textile branch were up by 20%.

The European Common Market accounted for 68% of Israel's clothing and fashion exports and the U.S. for 24.5%.

All this is a reflection and result of the country's creative, multinational population and ultra-modern, sophisticated production facilities and equipment making the Made In Israel label a guarantee of a high quality, competitively priced and fashionable garment produced by an experienced industry, says Miri Beckenstein, director of the fashion and textile centre here.

"Israel's fashion industry produces exciting on-the-go sportswear, leisurewear, knits, swimwear, versatile coordinates and leather fashion for men, women and children in wide-ranging fabrics and designs," Beckenstein points out, and "Israel's fashions compete successfully with international designer labels in major retail houses all over the world, including Saks Fifth Avenue, Bloomingdale's and Macy's in the U.S. and Dickens & Jones, Marks & Spencer and Harrods in England. Furthermore, fashion designer Liz Claiborne and a number of famous chains have established joint ventures with Israel.

The strengthening of the European currencies has led to a significant improvement in the profitability of this market while the free trade agreement with the U.S. has brought about a significant breakthrough to the American market.

The ministry of commerce and industry predicts a continuation of the recovery of textile and clothing exports in 1987, with a rise of some 22%.

"Hopefully," says Beckenstein, "this situation will encourage further investments in the industry and the absorption of additional workers in factories."

January's figures indicate that the favorable forecasts are accurate. Clothing and fashion exports in January of this year were 34% above those of January 1986.

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Inspired by top designers

Leather company goes high style

By
BARBARA KINGSTONE

JERUSALEM —
The new Centre 1 in Jerusalem is what Hazelton Lanes is to Toronto. Sleek, chic and fashionable. A walk around the centre shows Israeli wares at its best. There's furniture, jewelry, children's clothes, shoes and high-style fashion.

One small shop, Hirbawi Jerusalem Leather is the first retail outlet for the famous leather manufacturers.

Owned by 39-year-old Abed Hirbawi, the shop opened in March. Although Hirbawi has been manufacturing since 1971 and now employs 70 factory workers, fur trimming was once his strength.

As time and fashion changed Hirbawi went "high-style" four years ago and now grosses $2.5 million which includes exports to Switzerland, Germany, France, Sweden and the U.S.

With two designers, Israeli Guy Fulap and Arab Hani Maurad, the shop has European-styled fashions to match the best.

However there might not be the interest if Paris-trained, Israeli-born designer Maurad wasn't part of the team. His talent is recognized in Europe where he sells his own clothing line which doesn't include leather.

When asked about his European-influenced collection he openly admits it would be hard not to be inspired by some of the world's top designers.

"Of course I get inspired by other designers, but it is the trends that are most important."

Names like Armani, Montana and Versace are the obvious designers that leave their trademark on his collection, but Maurad feels strongly that "my designs are original."

Styles are decidedly sophisticated since the women he designs for are 25 and older.

"Denim-looking leather," he says, "is a waste of good skins. Leather is such a noble material. It's a crime to mess with it."

He also feels that printed and embossed leather which was a favorite a season ago is now passe.

Natural-colored skins are a personal favorite and Maurad sees brown as the new black. "I like the Timberland look."

Both Hirbawi and Maurad agree that Israeli leather is "the best in the world" and therefore 70% of the products they use are from Israel, while 30% come from Europe.

Maurad's precise Parisian training has been put to good use and he dismisses badly-made items. "Leather should be lined in the proper areas to decrease stretching." Although he also sees bagging as a positive characteristic of the skin.

Another technique used is a special binding on the seams which prevents the stretch as much as possible.

Highlights of his collection include a 3/4 full flared coat. Another coat is ankle length, shoulders are pointed with inverted pleat and an interesting yoked back.

Jackets go from short (an asymetric zippered peplumed style to a long, gathered and quilted shoulder with snap front).

Skirts are his forte and the extremes show here as they do in Europe — full and very long or short and very narrow. One skirt is double tier and worked like cloth while another has a turned cuff at the waist.

A narrow skirt has slenderizing seaming while another has a tulip shaped hemline.

The Israeli leather industry shows signs of great fashion maturation and will become a competitive force in the skin market.

Hirbawi Jerusalem Leather will definitely be one of the leaders.

A three-quarter length, rounded shoulder, full-flared coat over cuffed-waisted long skirt and leather blouse. By Hirbani Jerusalem Leather.

Scientists claim strenuous exercise can be harmful

HAIFA —
The results of a research program carried out by the Israel Army Medical Corps bear out conclusions reached some time ago by Technion scientists, that unduly strenuous exercise can cause damage to the organi sim.

The Medical Corps studies demonstrate that those conclusions are relevant not only for the laboratory animals, with which the Technion researchers worked, but also for human beings.

The Technion study, directed by Prof. David Gershon, indicated that sustained physical effort, begun at an advanced age, causes fat cells to invade muscles, reducing their ability to perform their functions.

The damage caused to muscles may also cause undue pressure to be placed on the kidneys. Only those laboratory animals that began to exercise in their youth and maintained that practice without significant interruptions could safely engage in strenuous activity when they reached a more advanced age.

Now army medics closely monitored the health of 20 vigorous 18-year-old volunteers for an elite unit, and monitored their response to the physical stress of their strenuous training program.

The first two weeks of that effort, the doctors found, raised myoglobin levels in the recruits' blood to a dramatic extent; that protein, released by muscles under the impact of physical strain, in turn causes kidney malfunctions.

Further studies

The army physicians note that the young organism can deal with this problem, up to a certain extent. After a period of rest, damage to the kidneys was reversed and no lasting harm was done.

Results obtained by the Technion team, however, suggest that, that would not be the case with older individuals.

Gershon and his associates are now engaged in additional studies on the same general subject. Among the aspects investigated by them is the possible loss of bone mass, as a result of severe and sustained physical strains.

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Tribute to Israel

A revolution catapults women from typists...

By
LEN BUTCHER

JERUSALEM —

It is just 8 a.m. and Ronit Natan is already hard at work. Squatting on top of a mean, ugly Merkava tank at a dusty Israel Army base near Tel Aviv, a floppy khaki hat shading her eyes from the early morning sun, 20-year-old Ronit is patiently introducing a group of young male army recruits to the user-friendly features of one of the most advanced war machines in the world.

Not even the presence of a journalist is allowed to interrupt the lesson. "You see," she tells me later, "a mistake on my part could cost them their lives in combat."

Sergeant Ronit Natan is an instructor in the Armored Corps of the Israel Defence Forces. A few years ago, she would probably have filled in her two years of compulsory military service operating a telephone switchboard, typing letters and making coffee.

But a recent revolution has catapulted Israeli women soldiers from the typing pool to the business end of some of the most sophisticated military hardware available.

Women do indeed still provide the secretarial services for the various branches of the defence establishment.

But now they are also drill sergeants and instructors. They teach male recruits how to fly supersonic jet fighters, how to march, how to strip down sub-machine-guns, how to operate tanks, huge artillery pieces and computerized rocket launchers.

They are graduates of the General Staff and Command College and the Naval Maritime Masters' course. They are drivers and mechanics. And they manage the bulk of the sophisticated computer operations in this super-computerized army.

They also operate electronic early-warning devices on border outposts and undertake highly classified intelligence work.

They work as military police, as technicians in the army, navy and air force, and as social workers, medics and teachers, lifting male recruits from under-privileged and problem backgrounds up to the minimum level required for army service.

What separates the men from the women is combat: unlike the early years of the Jewish state, when all hands were needed on the front lines, current army regulations bar women from any tasks that involve the risk of actual combat.

But given the push-button nature of modern warfare, the demand for fluency in high-tech far exceeds the need for physical brawn. And the young women soldiers have been quick to seize the challenge.

In fact, they have taken over so many of the technological and training functions — and are performing them so well — that other national defense forces are now taking a keen interest in the Israeli experience.

Young women like Ronit Natan are impressive. Attractive and feminine, even in rumpled fatigues, she wears a green and black lanyard of an Armored Corps instructor and the badge awarded to those soldiers who have completed the punishing tank-warfare course.

She also wears all the jewelry permitted a female soldier: a pearl pendant, ear-studs, a ring — and an "unofficial" wobbly-eyed dog brooch pinned to her cap.

She has a presence unusal in a woman of her age, and the young men under her command, I am told, readily accept her authority.

"Ronit gets more out of them than a male instructor would," declares the regimental sergeant-major at her base, a clearing surrounded by rich kibbutz farmland and cluttered with prefab huts and tents which are "home" to hundreds of mostly male army recruits.

"The men work harder under women instructors. There are no disciplinary problems."

I am somewhat skeptical. Israel does not, after all, warrant a seal of approval from the Women's Movement.

Practice drill with an Uzi assault machine gun is part of the basic training for this Israeli woman. [Religious News Service photo]

Sexual tensions exist

An 18-year-old male soldier nearby senses my doubts: "Why not," he shrugs. "She knows what she's talking about and it's nice to have a pretty face to look at for a change. Maybe we follow orders from a woman even better than from a man."

Ronit, who also trains tank commanders and officer candidates much older than herself, acknowledges the inevitable sexual tensions that are part of her job.

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Trade fair to look at security

TEL AVIV —

An extensive selection of security, defence and anti-terrorist equipment will be shown at SEDAT 87, a trade fair to be held at this city's Hilton Hotel in June.

Sponsored by the ministries of defence, police and industry and trade, the event will feature innovative products from more than 100 high-tech producers in this country.

Israel's own position in the heart of an increasingly violent Middle East has motivated developers and manufacturers here to devote considerable efforts to the production of effective defensive systems.

These include various anti-intrusion fences, warning systems, bomb disposal robots and many more. Some of those products already have won international recognition, but others will be completely new to the international community.

Like other new industries in this country and elsewhere, makers of security equipment here have not yet reached a satisfactory level of commercial development.

The organizers hope that the fair will also lead to the establishment of some joint ventures, with Israel firms contributing their technical expertise, while foreign partners provide some of the capital and their international marketing skills.

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"In the beginning," she says, "I stand in front of each new group of 25 men and I can feel them looking me over. They are deciding whether I'm nice, whether they'd like to start up a relationship with me. I understand that. But I earn their respect by knowing my subject."

"I earn their respect"

Ronit's parents were appalled when they learned she had been selected for a special tank instructors' course.

"They didn't think it was a nice job for their daughter at all," she grins. "But now they are very proud of me."

Ronit, who plans to study sociology and Middle East history when she completes her two years of military service later this year, says her feelings about the equality of men and women are even stronger now. "In fact," she says, "I think that women are often a little smarter."

Ruth Horowitz, 20, would agree. Originally from Los Angeles, she is now a corporal in the Armored Corps responsible for teaching tank personnel how to operate sophisticated devices against chemical warfare.

"I was not aware that this job had changed me," she admits. "But my family say I am a lot more authoritative these days. I'm not sure that they mean it as a compliment."

Horowitz, who came to Israel with her parents in 1972, finds that the young recruits accept her authority without difficulty. "Sometimes the trainee officers feel the need to assert themselves," she says, "but then they are learning to assert themselves generally."

Horowitz is stoic about army service: "Sometimes I have regrets about having to spend two years doing this when I might have been studying instead. But in a country that is constantly threatened, there is no option — and there are advantages.

Not yet satisfied

"I have had to learn to stand on my own feet and deal with all kinds of things I otherwise wouldn't have had to face until much later. I've learned to take responsibility for my actions and to do things that I don't want to do at all.

The person responsible for helping the young women cope with new realities is Brigadier-General Amira Dotan, 38, head of the women's division of the Israel Defense Forces.

She is also responsible for many of the advances made by women soldiers in the recent years.

But Dotan is not yet satisfied. She pinpoints slow-to-change attitudes in the army hierarchy, Israel's education system and the attitude of the women themselves — "the Yiddishe mommas who don't want to see their daughters become electricians and mechanics."

"The girls come to the army at 18 — bright, wonderful," she says. "But they know only what school has taught them. And that means next to nothing about math, physics and technical subjects. We have to re-orient their thinking and train them in a very short time."

Now the army is making efforts to reach high-school pupils and encourage them to study the subjects that will equip them for interesting and useful jobs in the army.

"I expect women to become pilots, navigators, active in all fields except actual combat," says Dotan.

"Women soldiers are fully trained to fight, but they are kept away from the combat zones. Israeli society — and Jews abroad — would not accept female casualties or the risk of women being taken prisoner of war. Particularly by the Syrians.

"The girls themselves want to fight. I have to be the one who says, 'No.' And the only people who understand are their mothers."

But a non-combatant role is not an inferior one, insists General Dotan: "After all, how many men in the Israel Defense Forces are actually front-line fighting troops? The percentage is very low. In the 80's, battles are not so much fought with heavy weapons as with technology. Intellect and training are more important than physical strength, and in this women can perform as well as men.

"That is what I stress to our young female recruits — that being different does not make them less equal or less important. I don't *want* them to become like men, to behave like men. There are boundaries and we recognize them."

Dotan herself is a good example of recognized boundaries. Slim and blonde, she is highly successful career soldier who looks not at all like my idea of a tough, barrack-room woman general.

Her office, in the heart of a major military compound in Tel Aviv, is a blend of plants and trim efficiency.

Like thousands of other Israeli women, she met her husband — now a businessman — when he was in the army.

They have four children, a fact that astonished women officers she met on a recent visit to army bases in the United States: "Not one of them had any children," she says.

"Apparently it would be impossible to have children and an army career as well."

Dotan believes that women have a humanizing effect on the Israeli Army. And she believes the sexual tensions that exist on "mixed" bases are natural and healthy — "Whenever women are on a base you can be sure that the language, tone and behavior will improve greatly."

More problematic are the sexual pressures that can be exerted on young, impressionable women soldiers by senior male officers.

"But we are there to guide them," says General Dotan. "Every unit has a female officer whose job it is to keep her eyes and ears open, to offer advice and help. We also make sure that the male officers and NCOs understand their responsibility toward the young women in their command."

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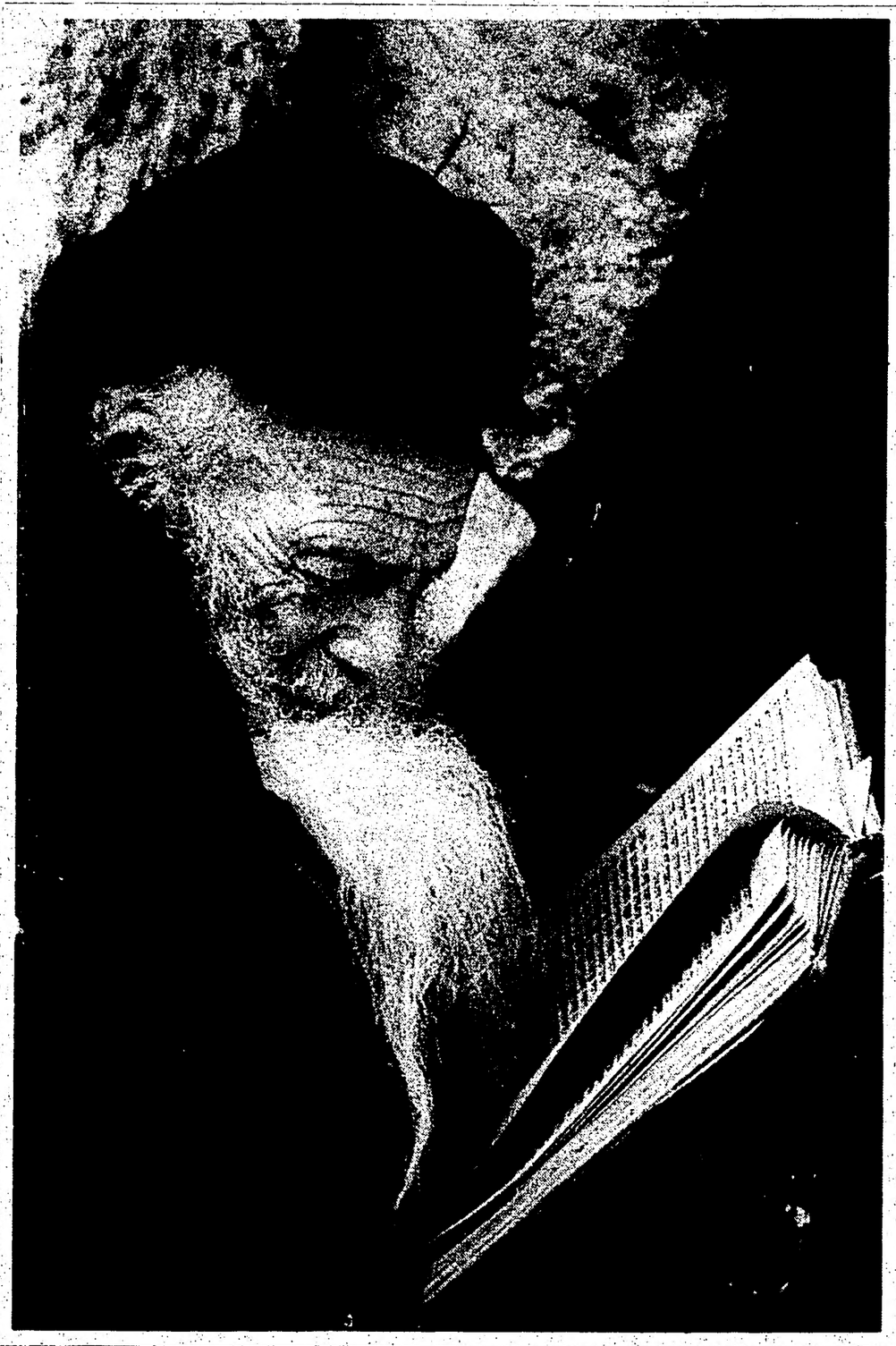

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Tribute to Israel

Montrealer finds good life in Tel Aviv, T-shirts

By
LEN BUTCHER

TEL AVIV —

It's 1973 and you've just graduated from McGill University with an MBA. As a product of the 60s and early 70s you're full of ideals and high expectations for yourself and the world around you.

So what do you do?

Well, if you are Jewish and your name is Andrew Hauerstock, you think about making aliya.

"Two years after graduating, I did just that," says Hauerstock, as we share a late-night coffee at an outdoor cafe.

The 40-year-old former Montrealer is taking a break from his Crazy Richard T-shirt shop located on the shopping concourse beside the Carlton Hotel and a George Bell throw to home plate from the Hilton.

"My parents had survived the Holocaust. Add to that the Exodus, the Six-Day War, my education — all of these were factors in my deciding to move to Israel," Hauerstock explains.

"Consequently, I decided that if I was really interested in contributing something, it was better to come here than sit around the cafes of Drummond St. and talk about Israel."

Hauerstock and his wife of one year made aliya, became parents in Israel, but separated two years later, with his wife and child returning to Montreal.

In the meantime, Hauerstock had opened his Crazy Richard shop. Why Richard?

"A friend of mine from Montreal named Richard came over the same time I did and we were going to go into business together, but he was offered a job with an Israeli company, so the partnership never took place. But we had decided to call it Crazy Richard and I liked the name, so stuck with it."

The shop has been able to provide Hauerstock with a decent living, but it's taken a lot of hard work and a good sense of marketing.

"I do a lot of work for the multinational forces in the Sinai and the U.S. forces in Lebanon. The Canadians, who have a helicopter unit in the multinational forces and a transportation unit in the Golan Heights, are some of my best customers." (He later presents me with a pair of red and white shorts with a silk screen printing of a helicopter and the words, Sinai MFO 1986, Canadian Contingent).

"I make up custom shirts, shorts and hats for the particular units and I sell at both the retail and wholesale level. We get to know each other and they become friends as well as customers. They leave every six months, but send their replacements to me, so it's an ongoing business with them."

Hauerstock's strength is that, as a Canadian, he can relate well to North Americans, so they have become his best customers, both those living in Israel and tourists.

He also sponsors a softball team which is made up almost completely of new immigrants, "except one of our pitchers, who is from the Canadian embassy."

Andrew Hauerstock, left, and Crazy Richard staff.

One thing Hauerstock is adamant about in his business philosophy is that of the image his products portray of Israel.

"We only do positive things. Most of our designs are our own. I have my own artist and what we try to do is create positive feelings about Israel, either in a funny or serious way and we find that both the Jewish and Gentile market like that. We're really ambassadors for Israel."

Does he miss Canada?

"Sure," he says. "No question about it, but I have a strong enough and positive enough feeling about Israel that keeps me here. The easiest thing in the world would be to buy a plane ticket and go back to Canada. My parents are there and so is my brother (he has a sister in Jerusalem) but I'm staying put.

"Unfortunately, most of my friends are gone and that's sad, but my parents visit quite often and I go home frequently, so it's not so bad."

Hauerstock says that to leave Canada to live in Israel, one must have a strong ideological commitment. "If you don't have it, you're just not going to make it here.

"That ideological commitment wears down too because the reality is different from your expectations, but I'm sure that all my friends living in Canada, if they looked back 20 years, they'd probably find their expectations didn't come true, so it's not really fair to say that it's any different here.

"On a personal level, there has been no disappointments. I make a decent living, thank God, and an honorable living and I'm very happy about my new family." (Several years after his divorce, Hauerstock married an Israeli girl and they have two children).

Although he finds Israelis on an individual level a "good, warm people," he still doesn't know how they live so well.

"They all go abroad," he says laughing, "have the best clothes and buy the best toys for their kids. I'd love to know their secret."

His biggest problem is taking the time off to serve in the reserves. "You have to spend 42 days a year, split into a 30-day stretch and another 12 days and that's very difficult for a businessman without a partner. But I've got a good staff, all young bright kids, so that makes it a bit easier."

We finish our coffee and walk back to the shop where Hauerstock shows me catalogues containing hundreds of designs modeled by his staff. One of my favorites is a little beaver waving an Israeli flag. This was done for the Canadian embassy.

Almost all of the clothes are made of Israeli cotton and silk-screened for better quality.

He admits there is lots of competition, "but you do your best and you work hard."

As we part company, Hauerstock leaves me with these words: "Israel is a tough country in which to survive, but I have no complaints.

"I don't think I'm taking a back seat to my counterparts from McGill in the MBA class of 73."

Leukemia drug promising

REHOVOT —

An Alpha C interferon, developed by InterPharm Laboratories Ltd. here, shows significant promise as a remedy for certain types of leukemia.

Administered to 15 patients, within the framework of a clinical testing program, the preparation produced marked improvement in the condition of 14.

InterPharm is one of the first Israeli companies to specialize in biotechnology. Basing its program on research begun at the Weizmann Institute, the company already markets one preparation based on "native" interferon, extracted from human foreskins.

Tradenamed Frone, this product has been shown to be effective against herpes and certain other viral infections.

Frone has already been approved by health authorities in Israel, Italy and Argentina, and is now being distributed in those countries.

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Kenes is king in organizing Israel conferences

By
LEN BUTCHER

TEL AVIV —
It is 6.30 on a Wednesday night and most of the people at Industry House have gone home. But not Gideon Rivlin.

He rushes by me in the reception area with a quick, "Sorry, I'll be with you in a minute."

The minute turns to 15, but then I find myself seated in his spacious, modern office that serves as the hub of Kenes — Organizers of Congresses and Special Events Ltd.

In the 21 years that Kenes has been in business, they have handled some 600 conventions, the majority of which are medical and scientific.

"That's our specialty," Rivlin says proudly, "but these conventions are a lot of work and a lot more complicated than most other types."

The reason Kenes specializes in this field is quite simple — money.

"The organizations involved in the medical and scientific fields have money to spend and do so," Rivlin says. "For instance, this September, there will be a convention of opthalmologists with 500 attending. The budget for the convention is $500,000 or $1,000 per person for the week and that doesn't include hotel accommodations."

But the money is hard-earned.

"There is so much organizing to do," Rivlin says, with a smile. "Almost everyone who attends a convention such as this presents a paper, which we must have printed, plus three bulletins that are issued prior to the convention, which again, we print. This may not sound like a lot, but we have printed books with as many as 1,000 pages, which is larger than most books, so we often find ourselves in the role of publishers.

"Then there are the social events that are sponsored by related companies, such as drug manufacturers, and setting up halls so there are a number of things going on simultaneously. It's very demanding work, and requires very knowledgeable people."

Rivlin says that many more medical and scientific conventions are held in Israel than in most of the major centres of Europe.

"One of the reasons for this is that Israel is very strong in these fields and also Israelis are eager to do something for their country.

"In Brussels, for instance, where we maintain an office, if I try to convince a medical professor to hold his organization's conference there, he will give me a number of excuses why he'd rather go somewhere else.

"In Israel, I have never met an Israeli who wouldn't support holding his convention in Israel, because it is good for Israel. Israelis are much more nationalistic than most people."

Although Kenes handles many "Jewish conventions," Rivlin feels they could and should have many more. "We really expect Jewish organizations to come to Israel much more than they do." He praises the Bronfmans for being strong supporters and calls them "wonderful people to deal with."

Rivlin also has high praise for El Al Israel Airlines, which, he says, "are the only people who really give us strong support because we are the only group that really promotes conventions to Israel."

But how do they sell Israel as a convention site?

"Firstly, it's not that expensive if you compare the rate of our hotels against those of European cities. You can get a room in one of the best hotels in Jerusalem for under $80 a night. For the same room in any major European centre, you will pay twice that. In fact, I'm soon going to Istanbul and my room at the Hilton there is costing $185 a night.

"So when you spread that difference over five nights, it adds up to a lot of money.

"As for airfare, there's not such a big difference, especially if comparing flying here and between European cities. Did you know it is more expensive to fly from Brussels to Rome than from Brussels to Tel Aviv? And London to Helsinki is $700 while London to Tel Aviv is only $340, so coming here is not expensive, especially for Europeans.

"Now for Americans, the average flight is something like $800, but cost aside, Israel is much more attractive and interesting than say the Caribbean or Mexico or whatever alternatives Canadians have. It must cost them at least $300 or $400 to fly to those places.

"If they come to Israel they can make a stopover in Europe, so it's a real treat."

One of the strongest selling features, says Rivlin, is that Israel can contribute to those particular specialized fields.

"We don't get conventions in which we are not strong. For instance, we wouldn't draw bankers or oilmen, but medicine, science and technology — yes. In areas like gerontology, rehabilitation, social work — those kinds of things — we have a lot to offer."

But it is still a difficult job because of the number of people who must approve the site.

"A council of any of these congresses consists of representatives from 60 to 80 countries who must vote on the decision as to where to hold the convention and there must be a majority. And that's where the difficulty comes in, because the majority of the countries involved are against Israel, so it's a real achievement to get them to come here.

"Our promotion department spends hundreds of thousands of dollars a year to do just that and with the backing of El Al have established a good position in the world for conventions."

"There are certain months — June, September, November — when you can't get a room in Jerusalem because of the conventions we have booked."

The figures for Kenes speak for themselves. Its 60 permanent employees service between 40 and 50 conventions a year totaling 25,000 people and income for 1986 was a healthy $16 million (U.S.) making it one of the largest companies in Israel.

Rivlin wraps up by saying: "Israel is not just a country of bad news and problems. It is a country of enjoyment, of good food, sights, history, research and that's why conventions are so good for Israel.

"People from places like China, Russia, East Germany, Poland, Bulgaria and Brazil come here. Conventions bring people to Israel who would never see our country.

"The more people who see and learn about Israel, the better it is for all of us."

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Keeping your health can be fun at Moriah spa

By
BARBARA KINGSTONE

HAMME ZOHAR — Mark Twain once said, "The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don't want, drink what you don't like and do what you'd rather not."

I'm not about to disagree completely with the legendary writer and wit, but if he had ever been to the Moriah Dead Sea Spa in Hamme Zohar, Israel, he might have rewritten some of that rather humorous paragraph.

At the Moriah, keeping your health happens to be fun. Imagine total relaxation in an ambience steeped in history. It's said that King Solomon recognized the health-giving properties of the hot springs and that the fabled beauty Cleopatra is reputed to have used the thermo-mineral springs for her cosmetic and beauty regime. It's hard to argue with these ancient testimonials.

But facts are facts and they're obvious even with my hurried visit there. Although I didn't have the luxury of spending enough time at the Moriah Spa, the short visit I had was an eye opener.

Israel's Dead Sea region has the most preferred thermal and climatic properties for what ails you, be it joint disease, skin problems or respiratory ailments. But then of course nature has endowed that region with rare health giving properties.

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The high salt and mineral content of the Dead Sea water has considerable curative side benefits and for anyone with sore joints, the intensity of minerals gives the water a high specific weight which allows the body to float, hence exercise, without any effort.

Spa facilities are located in an annex of the modern Moriah Hotel. The decor is light and bright with yellow molded chairs scattered around in-house plants and trees and the natural light from skylights and windows fill the area.

Off the corridor is an artificially heated but piped-in Dead Sea mineral water-filled pool. It's kept at 33C. Further along and behind closed doors are two small sulphur pools with water from the Zohar spring.

Here you have a choice of 35C or 39C. After the no-longer-than-20-minute dunk, the attendant wraps you in a towel and while you recline on one of the chaise longues you can feast your eyes on the great vista of the Dead Sea and Jordan. Showers and dressing rooms are within this secluded area.

Also on the modern premises are tubs for sulphur, mineral and mud baths. Two similar tubs are more private with sleep rooms attached.

For both beauty and health, the body mud packs are a treat. The renowned mud of the area is the way nature made it — without any artificial additives, but sterilized and used for the body and face.

Done in a small private room, you are placed on a table covered with a plastic sheet. The mud is generously applied and then after being wrapped in the plastic and covered with a blanket, you're left to relax and contemplate the rest of the day.

A non-skid rug is placed from the table to the shower which is just a few paces away. There you are hosed down. Result? Baby soft skin and if you had any joint ailments, they're eased temporarily.

Additional beauty-oriented services include vapor inhalation. Here you sit in front of one of the six sprays and a sink-like apparatus where the Dead Sea water and eucalyptus oil sprays your face for 15 minutes as the attendant puts a plastic hood over your head allowing all the benefits to be directed to the face.

The results are immediately visible. The skin looks terrific. But there's an extra bonus for anyone with respiratory or sinus troubles.

For full facial treatment for both men and women, Sarah, a Parisian-trained esthetician is also an expert in reflexology as well as face treatments. Her products vary as she decides which is most suitable for the individual client's needs.

Other services available are body massage, gymnastics and a private sandy beach.

The up-to-date hotel and spa has not yet set a low calorie meal plan for guests, but with some discipline, there's a coffee shop and restaurant where you can order a la carte and eat as little as you want.

The 220-room hotel is usually booked months ahead as the Moriah now is attracting groups of Europeans who have discovered the merits of Israeli spas.

This means that the approximately 600 guests will want some spa services. Spa supervisor Jacqueline suggests that when you register at the hotel, you head for the spa and book your desired spa requirements and treatments and also set a daily schedule.

Jacqueline also suggests that if you have to make any choices and edit the available treatments, there are three mandatory sessions — the body mud packs, sulphur pool and dry body massage. Rather than pack a heavy terry robe, you can rent one there.

I can testify all the treatments are excellent.

The hotel itself is air-conditioned. For evening entertainment and after a full day at the spa there is a bar, cinema hall, bridge club and night club (that is if you have any energy left by sundown).

The Moriah Spa Hotel's supervision and professionally trained help make it one of the best all-around spas I've ever visited.

Sara, a facialist at the Moriah spa gives a treatment to a customer.

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Tears the conventional passions to titters

Zastrozzi is a devilishly funny comedy of horrors

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —
Let's get one thing straight right from the top.

Zastrozzi (running until June 28 at the Factory Theatre, 125 Bathurst St. at Adelaide, 864-9971) is a piece of comic hokum.

Like all of the black comedies by Toronto playwright George F. Walker — including the luridly titled *Ramona and The White Slaves, Baghdad Saloon, Criminals in Love* and *Theatre of The Film Noir* — it spoofs the bigger-than-life characters in the movie melodramas that Hollywood cranked out in the 1940s.

Zastrozzi is probably the best of Walker's satires. It lampoons the whole genre of *Zorro*-Errol Flynn swashbucklers. Yet it attempts to go deeper than that. Like Voltaire's *Candide*, it also skewers the romantic tradition of airy-fairy optimism and sugary belief in saints that once prevailed in Europe.

What makes *Zastrozzi* so outstanding is that it's a devilishly funny comedy of horrors, laced with a wicked wit, while it tears all the conventional passions to titters. Since it was first staged in Toronto exactly 10 years ago, it has become Canada's most popular drama export, produced in every major English-speaking centre around the world.

Walker, who for five years in the 1970s was playwright-in-residence at the Factory Theatre, has returned to direct its revival himself. And the good news is that it's a thriller-diller of a comic melodrama.

It's funnier and more fast-moving than the original local premiere I saw in 1977, because Walker has selected a magnificent cast.

Its title role is played by Michael Hogan, for my money Toronto's number one bravura-style performer, who stole the show as an oldfashioned ham actor in *The Forest* earlier this season at the St. Lawrence Centre.

Dashing amoral Swordsman

Here he delivers another tour-de-force performance as Zastrozzi, a dashing, amoral swordsman, with glittering boudoir eyes, a thunderous voice, and a commanding stage presence. We meet him in a Gothic Italian castle at the turn of the century, who, while lightning flashes overhead, booms aloud;

"I am the master criminal of Europe. . . . The quality of my mind is superb. It's so superb I have nightmares while I am awake. I'm having a nightmare right now."

Hogan plays this comic-book character, who brags of "representing the world's forces of evil," in a tongue-in-cheek manner. Supposedly Zastrozzi's mission in life is to seek vengeance on the artist Verezzi. Not only has Verezzi killed Zastrozzi's mother; Zastrozzi despises the fellow bacause he is a *mediocre* artist and hence must be held accountable.

To lure the nambypamby artist to his doom, Zastrozzi uses the services of his equally amoral mistress Matilda, who brags with equal conviction that she is "the most accomplished seductress in Europe" and "I do not suffer from rapier envy."

Matilda is played with coquettish elan by Hogan's real-life wife, actress Susan Hogan. They make a devilishly sensuous couple romping through this Gothic comedy, the closest equivalent we have in Canada to the Broadway husband-and-wife team of Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne.

She is particularly brilliant in a scene in which she duels with a sword and tart bon mots with a prissy, 17-year-old virgin named Julia, who is competing for the affections of Zastrozzi.

"It's women like you who make me feel like a tart," she says. Then she looks at Julia's prim attire and reconsiders: "No, it's the way you dress."

And Michael Hogan is likewise brilliant in a deliciously funny scene in which he seduces the virginal Julia without laying a finger on her. Using his ensnaring charm and persuasive bass viola of a voice, he urges her to imagine that she submitting to a rape.

The Hogans are abetted by a superb cast, especially Nicky Guadagni as the obnoxious virgin and Michael McManus as the effete artist Verezzi.

Sumup: ***Zastrozzi*** **izz Zenzationally Zany.**

The husband-and-wife team of Michael and Susan Hogan co-star delightfully and sensually in Zastrozzi at the Factory Theatre.

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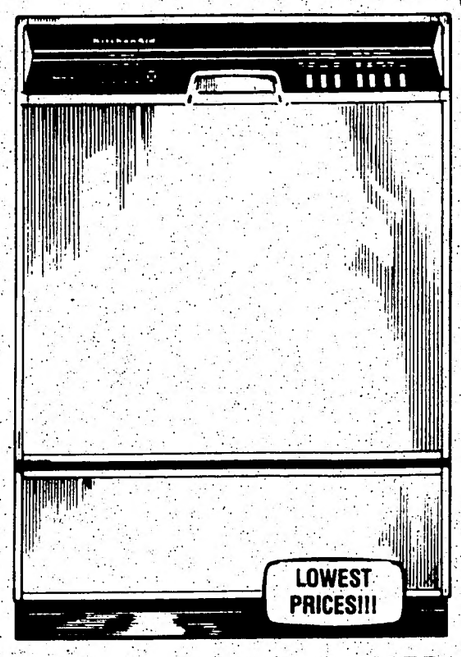

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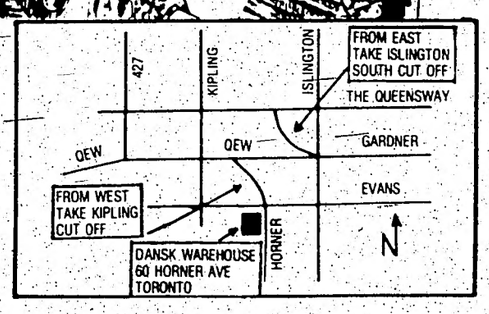


Arts

Registers as solid piece of work

Gardens of Stone vividly recalls Vietnam passions

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The war in Vietnam, a distant memory today but a running sore on the American body politic a decade ago, has fed the imagination of a generation of American filmmakers.

Vietnam has inspired good films and bad films. *Platoon*, Oliver Stone's Academy Award winning entry, is one of the most powerful anti-war films ever made. But *Rambo* was the cinematic equivalent of a shallow comic strip.

Francis Ford Coppola's *Gardens of Stone*, his first Vietnam picture since *Apocalypse Now*, lies somewhere between the worst and the best of the genre.

Now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, *Gardens of Stone* is set not in Vietnam, but in the American heartland, a U.S. Army base in Virginia, in 1968.

The film, which wrings out stellar performances from James Caan, James Earl Jones and a newcomer, D.B. Sweeney, focuses on the Old Guard, an elite unit responsible for burying the war dead with due pomp and paegantry.

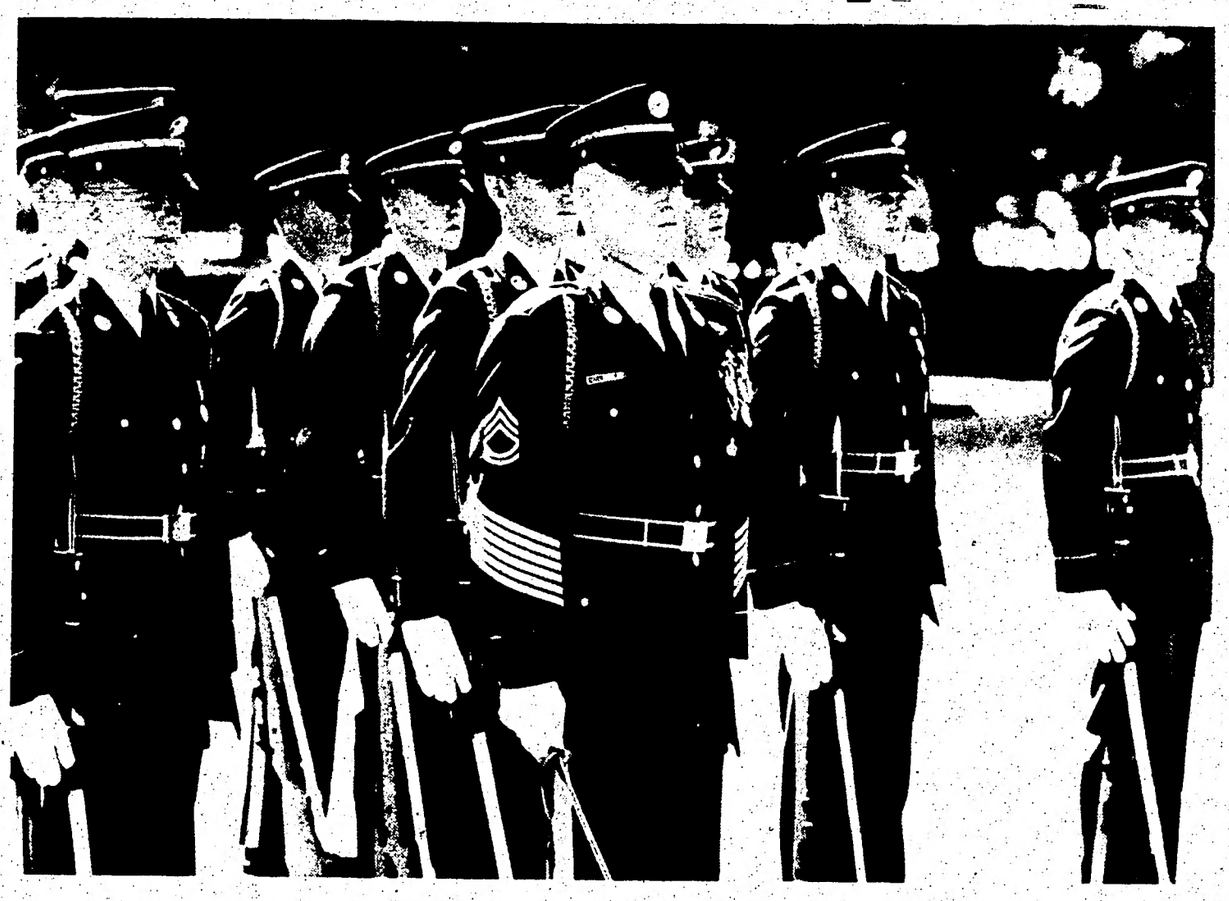
Gardens of Stone, which refers to Arlington National Cemetery, takes an almost reverential attitude to the military, but not to the war the U.S. pursued in Vietnam.

Copolla obviously respects the men in the ranks who were willing to lay down their lives in a distant, jungle-choked battlefield. He presents them, particularly the non-commissioned officers, as good old boys. But he has no use for the cause to which they committed themselves.

Filmed against the backdrop of Carmine Coppola's sombre music, *Gardens of Stone* revolves around the surrogate father-son relationship that develops between Hazard (Caan), a hardened, disillusioned platoon sergeant, and Willow (Sweeney), his eager, idealistic recruit.

Hazard is not a peacenik. He merely believes that America cannot win the war in Asia. Willow, whose father was Hazard's comrade-in-arms in Korea, cannot understand how the U.S., with its awesome firepower, can lose to "Asian farmers."

Nelson (Jones), Hazard's superior, is not so outspoken. But he, too, is of the opinion that Vietnam, bereft of front lines, is a quagmire.



James Caan (foreground right) stars in Gardens of Stone.

Hazard's girlfriend, Samantha (Anjelica Houston), a reporter and peace activist, finds the war repugnant and wasteful. But her views, strong as they may be, don't turn her off Hazard, a symbol of the old school.

In essence, *Gardens of Stone* is a lament for the men who died for no apparent purpose in Vietnam, a reminder of the passions that this divisive war stoked on the home front.

It lacks the poignancy of *Platoon* and the sheer elemental strength of *Apocalypse Now*. But it holds an audience, at least almost always, and it registers in the mind as a solid piece of work.

Definitely worth seeing.

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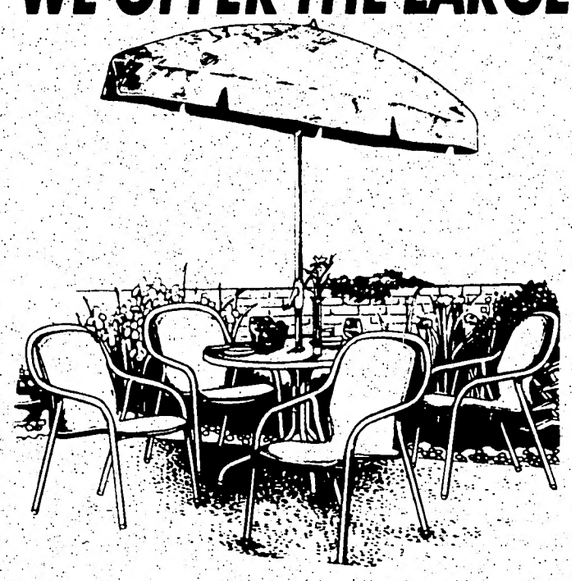

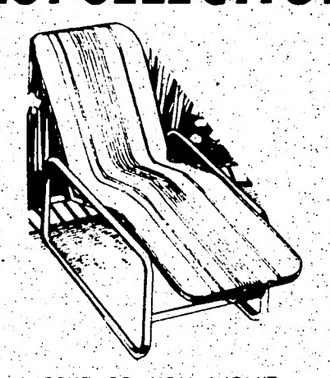

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Arts

Jim McHarg still a Sunday treat

Two jazz shows: One gung-ho; the other only so-so

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

If you're a jazz buff, like this reviewer, you might consider catching two shows around town that may interest you.

After visiting the pair of them last week, I'd rate one of them so-so, and the other I'd rank high with an enthusiastic gung-ho!

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Let's deal with the ho-hum show first. It's *Ain't Misbehavin'*, billed as the "Fats Waller Musical Show," which is playing for an indefinite run at the Teller's Cage Dinner Theatre, in the Commerce Court South at Wellington St. W., 699-3724.

Regretably, the star of the show is dead. He is, of course, the late Thomas Wright (Fats) Waller, (1904-1943), the "Harmful Little Armful," the Black composer and poet laureate of the Harlem stride piano style, who used to introduce himself as "Mrs. Waller's 285 pounds of jam, jive and everythin'!"

An offstage voice opens the show with that introduction as Joe Sealy, the fine Toronto jazz musician, sits down at the piano, wearing a Waller-style cocked derby.

With his back to the audience, he begins playing for the rest of the evening a splendid repertoire of Wallers' best tunes, ranging from *Honeysuckle Rose* to *I'm Gonna Sit Right Down and Write Myself A Letter*.

Sealy is a firstrate exponent of Waller's stride style, which features a boisterous left hand teasing and maintaining the rhythm, while the right hand, so to speak, traces musical rainbows of myriad colors.

Unfortunately, I can't say the same about the cast of four Toronto area singers, two men and two women. They look presentable, they act presentable, and they sing in a pleasantly agreeable way. But not a single one of them has a strong voice, with the character and resonance and gutty feeling that can carry a Waller tune.

Jim McHarg and his Westbury All-Star Jazz Band are rated "gung-ho" Dixie Land performers at Beaton's at Westbury Hotel.

Delicious low-down humor

For example, all four participate in several choruses of Waller's wonderfully funny song, *Fat And Greasy*. What it needs is a fat mammy Black singer, like Toronto's Jackie Richardson, with a growly voice and jellyroll hips and gritty street manner, who can convey the delicious, low-down humor of the piece.

What we have instead are two women, Vivienne Williams and B. J. Reed, who are too thin vocally and physically to do justice to Waller's soul music. The choreography by George Randolph and the direction by Rudy Webb are also lacklustre.

On the positive side, though, I liked Johnie Chase, who looks like a handsome Black version of Clark Gable, doing a debonair rendition of *Honeysuckle Rose*; Paul Dorsey, slinking like a drugged viper while singing *I Dream About A Reefer*; and the wisecrack made by B. J. Reeve, when she sat on the lap of a man in the audience, while playing the role of a vamp.

She drew a big laugh with her aside: "I love it when white people blush."

The sovereign attraction of the show remains the great Fats Waller repertoire of evergreen standards. Worth the price of admission alone are his hilarious put-down lampoon, *Your Feets Too Big*, and his poignant blues number, *What Did I Do To Be So Black And Blue*.

Sumup: The singing lacks snap, crackle and pop, but the piano playing is terrific and the melodies sublime.

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***Sunday Jazz Brunch At Beaton's* is a different story. Jim McHarg and his Westbury All-Star Jazz Band are currently celebrating their third anniversary as the regulars playing Dixie Land-style jazz in the cozy 150-seat Beaton's Restaurant at the Loews Westbury Hotel, 475 Yonge, just north of Carlton, 924-0611.**

Their gig, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. each Sunday, is accompanied by a buffet brunch as sumptuous as the feast of jazz goodies on the band's menu of more than 600 golden oldies.

McHarg himself is a well-seasoned, 60-year-old, gray-moustached bass player from Glasgow, who has been a stalwart jazz man on the Toronto scene for four decades. He founded the Metro Stompers here in 1962, and his Columbia album *Stompin' At The Penny* (that is, the Penny Farthing Coffee Shop in old Yorkville Village in the 1960s) is still considered a valuable collector's item.

His present band includes some of Toronto's most versatile jazzmen.

Ian Arnott from Edinburgh is my favorite local clarinetist, almost on a par with the revered Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman. He is particularly good when playing Kid Ory's *Muskrat Ramble* or Duke Ellington's *Satin Doll* in a duo with guitarist Neville Barnes. And Frank Wright on vibes is incomparable when plink, plank, plunking the rhythms of Ellington's *A Train* and Fats Waller's *Ain't Misbehavin'*.

The band's current singer is a honey of a vocalist. She is a pert blonde who sings under the professional name of Marney London, but was born Marion Gow, and for the past 23 years has been a popular "canary" on the bar mitzvah and Jewish wedding circuits at Beth Tzedec, Beth David and other synagogues.

Her alto voice has the purity of Doris Day at her peak, and when belting out certain jazz numbers, she can trill and growl as earthily as Ella Fitzgerald. Her rendition of George Gershwin's *Summertime* is a genuine thriller.

In an interview between sets, McHarg agreed with me that the Toronto jazz scene is currently suffering from the worst doldrums in years. Why is it in the dumps?

"Because of the home video cassette boom," said McHarg. "Instead of going out to a jazz club, people are staying home to share a pizza and the latest movie cassette with their friends. A terrible trend!"

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Arts

Musical weekend at Holy Blossom Temple

Noted composer Adler to launch full-scale program

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By
RICK KARDONNE

Samuel Adler, chairman of the department of composition at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, will be composer-in-residence at Holy Blossom for the weekend of May 29-31.

The special Oneg Shabbat program on May 29 will feature the liturgical music of Adler in a program entitled Synagogue Music of Our Times. Cantor Benjamin Maissner will lead the Holy Blossom Temple Singers.

At 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, May 31, Adler will deliver a lecture on Music in the Synagogue: How and Why?

The weekend will conclude with a concert of The Music of Samuel Adler: Secular, Biblical and Choral. Adler will conduct the Temple Singers, Maissner, and an instrumental ensemble.

For further information, call 789-3291.

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The definitive album anthology of the golden era of Yiddish American popular music during the first half of the 20th century is Paul Zim Remembers 2nd Avenue, subtitled Jewish Broadway is Alive and Kicking.

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Add two rediscovered but forgotten gems from the period, including the opener, Skrip Klezmer, composed by Sholom Secunda, and the fluidly expressive contemporary vocal treatment by Zim, and the result is an album which belongs in every Jewish home.

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David Allan's original modern dance piece Masada, commissioned by the National Ballet and performed as part of the short ballet evening in its spring season, is a vital, moving and emphatically performed creation. However, it requires some alterations in mood emphasis in order to accurately portray its message.

Suicide is not ordinarily condoned in Jewish theology. Only under extreme circumstances, as pointed out by Claude Lanzmann in an interview following the recent PBS screening of Shoah, does Jewish suicide assume a heroic dimension of resistance.

Too many times has the image of Jew as victim been designated by the gentile world as being the only acceptable Jewish image. Too often, both the Holocaust and Masada have been manipulated to fit this unacceptable role.

Allan's Masada, if it is to avoid this trap, must emphasize more the role of the Zealots as archetypical freedom fighters whose mass suicide was not an act of martyrdom but the final act of war. While the opening scene, depicting the epic battle, introduces this impression, it should be lengthened and developed so as to intensify its impact.

The reason why the emotional scope of Masada is less than what it could be is that the music controls the choreography rather than the other way around. Instead of one Rachmaninoff composition, several selections, or an original score, should have been used to convey a maximum of intense emotions, under Allan's control.

Warren Beatty (left) and Dustin Hoffman manage to get themselves in the middle of international intrigue in Ishtar.

Ishtar a flick that doesn't click

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO --

What can you say about a film that fails on all counts?

Ishtar, written and directed by Elaine May, may be the biggest flop of the year — a $40 million flop.

It is not merely silly, but downright dumb. The story line, no doubt inspired by the old Bob Hope-Bing Crosby "road" pictures of the 1940s, is simply juvenile. Elaine May, known for her acerbic wit and probing insights, has fallen grievously short of the mark in this instance.

Two mediocre, down-at-the-heel singer-song writers, Chuck Clarke (Dustin Hoffman) and Lyle Rogers (Warren Beatty), accept a booking in Morocco. En route, in the mythical, troubled state of Ishtar, Clarke comes to the aid of a fetching young woman (Isabelle Adjani) who enmeshes them in international intrigue.

We are led to believe that if Ishtar succumbs to revolution, a revolution that, incidentally, it badly needs, the whole of the Middle East will be inflamed.

Even if you suspend your sense of reality, you cannot be impressed by *Ishtar*, whose childish, convoluted plot reaches an apex of inanity when our two American has-beens, riding a suitably blind camel, are betrayed by the CIA and attacked by helicopters in the scorching desert.

Even the obligatory chase through a congested, colorful Middle Eastern market, that staple of action films, is bereft of tension and interest.

Hoffman and Beatty, whose talents are duly recognized by their peers, do not contribute measurably to this misbegotten project.

Hoffman (*All the President's Men, Kramer vs. Kramer, Tootsie*) **tries valiantly to coax some humor out of Elaine May's leaden dialogue, but fails miserably. This is not vintage Hoffman.**

Beatty, Ishtar's producer, looks pathetically poor in his starring role. You have the impression that he just got out of a rumpled bed, never having quite recovered from a night of partying.

Adjani, an actress with exquisite features, is hopelessly miscast as an Arab. And like Beatty, she wonders around in a perpetual daze.

Ishtar, a flick that doesn't click, is as arid as the Sahara in which it was filmed.

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Shaw begins its 26th season with Major Barbara

By
FRANK RASKY

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE —

The Shaw Festival's 26th season opened here officially this week with one of Bernard Shaw's wittiest social comedies.

It's *Major Barbara*, a biting yet poignant drama about the conflict between a hardboiled munitions maker and his soft-hearted, do-gooder daughter who has become a Salvation Army evangelist.

Based on the true story of Alfred Nobel, who invented dynamite yet funded the Nobel Peace Prize with the profits, it co-stars three of Canada's most eminent actors, Douglas Rain, Frances Hyland and Martha Burns.

The festival, which runs until Oct. 18, is expected to draw a record of 290,000 theatregoers paying $5.6 million at the box-office to see plays by Shaw and his contemporaries.

The productions range from comedies to mysteries to musicals.

Nora McLellan will star in *Anything Goes*, the P. G. Wodehouse and Guy Bolton Broadway hit musical, featuring such delicious Cole Porter tunes as *I Get A Kick Out Of You* and *You're The Top*.

Jennifer Phipps and Robert Benson are the co-stars of *Hay Fever*, Noel Coward's comedy about the backstage shenanigans of theatre people.

Irene Hogan, Al Kozlik and Sandy Webster are featured in *Night Of January 16th*, an offbeat courtroom drama of the 1930s by Ayn Rand known for her novel *The Fountainhead*.

Camille Mitchell and Dan Lett co-star in *Marathon 33*, June Havoc's drama about the dance marathon craze of the Depression era.

Class system spoof

Jack Medley and Barry MacGregor co-star in *Not In The Book*, a lighthearted murder mystery by British playwright Arthur Watkyn.

Joyce Campion and Tracey Ferencz are featured in *Fanny's First Play*, Shaw's spoof of the class system at Cambridge University in Edwardian England.

Other productions include J. M. Barrie's *Peter Pan* a fantasy about kids and pirates; Oscar Wilde's sensuous 1-acter, Salome; August Strindberg's 1-acter about a bittersweet menage a trois titled *Playing With Fire*; and Shaw's slapstick 1-acter, *Augustus Does His Bit*.

Ticket prices range from $7.50 to see Douglas Rain and Barry MacGregor cavort in the Shavian 1-acter *Augustus Does His Bit* at the Lunchtime Theatre in the Royal George to $34 for a front-row orchestra seat for the major productions in the Festival Theatre.

For information, you can make a toll-free call from Toronto to (416) 361-1544.

Robert Benson (left), Barbara Worthy and Richard Binsley co-star in Noel Coward's Hayfever opening May 29 at the Shaw Festival, which launched its 26th season this week.

Shakespearean play free at High Park

TORONTO —

A dreamy, entertaining, picnicy — and *free* — escape from summer heat and daily woes in a sylvan park is offered by Toronto Free Theatre from July 11 to Aug. 9.

It's the theatre's 5th annual free open-air "Dream In High Park" show which this summer consists of William Shakespeare's whimsical fantasy, *The Tempest*, staged by director Richard Greenblatt and starring David Fox, one of Canada's leading actors, as Prospero.

The 16-member cast will present their 27 shows to an expected 60,000 people just east of Grenadier Park. You're advised to bring a blanket and picnic hamper. For information, phone 368-7601.

Comedy by the Bard at Posluns to May 28

TORONTO —

William Shakespeare's most beloved comedy, full of puckish fun and fantasy in an Elizabethan fairyland, is being presented by the Leah Posluns Theatre School until May 28 at the Leah Posluns Studio Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St.

It is, of course, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The Young Company production features Rhea Akler as Puck, Cindi Kozierok as Mustardseed, Shael Risman as Bottom, Leanne Shafir as Cobweb, Jordan Singer as Lysander, and Wendy Sniderman as Moth.

Lewis Baumander is director and Frieda Nagel the stage manager.

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Fashion

Shirley K. features natural fibre fabrics

Smart summer fashions from Shirley K. are cool and comfortable.

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Navy and white are accented with green and beige . . . white, ecru and khaki are accented with red and black.

The safari jacket is a key element

Weekend fashions are splashed with primitive-patterns. A key element in summer dressing is the safari jacket. Colors are earth tones with cotton poplin and twill, the key fabrics. The look includes skin prints and African geometrics.

And for a relaxing, romantic feeling, the focus is on chambray and denim. It's the innocence of pure, simple fabrics in white, ecru, chambray blue and romantic pales.

It will also be a season of denim, pleated skirts, safari jackets and knit co-ordinates. And what's going to dress-it-all-up? Studs, appliques, zippers, more pleats, the glitter of rhinestones and brass buttons.

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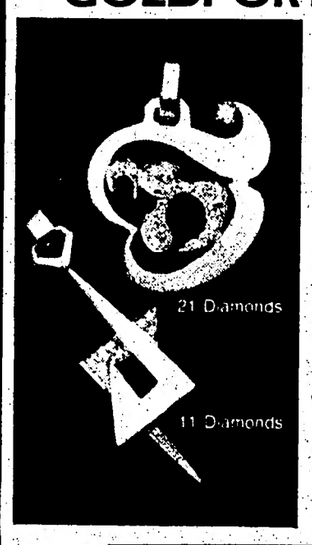

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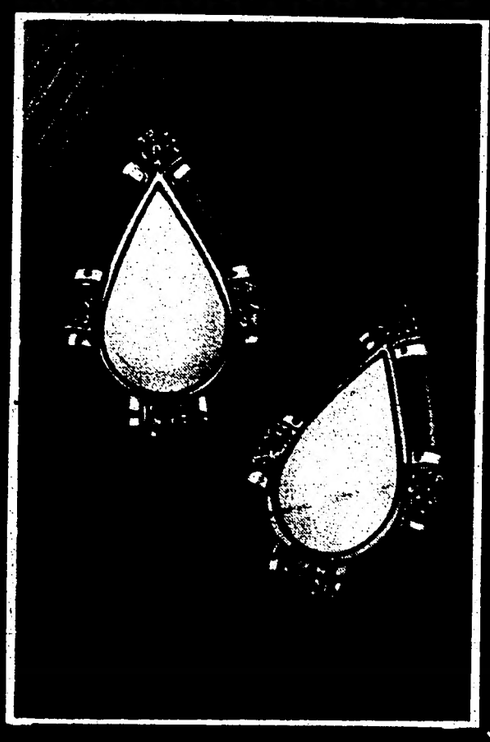

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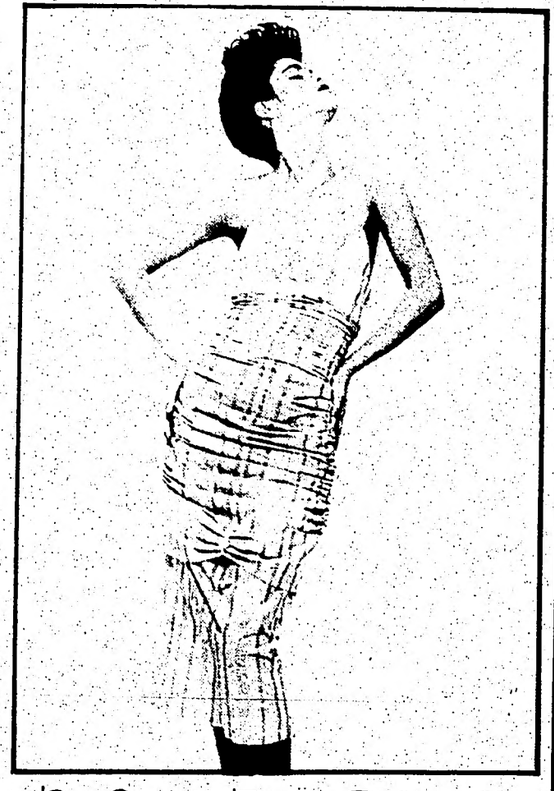

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Separates range from the simple to the gutsy

Brian Bailey's collection for Bernard Cowan kicks off the summer with the ideal between-season fabric — lightweight wool gabardine.

Bailey's separates in peaches and lilacs are created in a fabric and in colors perfect for summer.

In each group the separates range from the simple and understated to the gutsy. Bailey encourages women to play with the line to achieve a variety of looks. "This is when fashion becomes fun for the retailer and the customer," says Bailey.

"I know from my days in sales that women love to exercise their own sense of style. Given the right materials they can always pull a great outfit together. Within each group almost any combination is possible."

Bailey's gabardine group features sizzling jacket and skirt combos. Again the options are endless. Match Bailey's full-swing pleated trapeze jacket with a snug, tapered skirt. Or combine his traditionally tailored blazer with a long pleated skirt for a completely opposite silhouette. "The choice is yours," says Bailey.

Bailey's concept of ensemble dressing rings loud and clear in his Ottoman group. The back and off-white patterned fabric is worked into blazers, skirts, pants and duster coats.

And here's where Bailey the merchandiser kicks in. His concept of related sportswear gives women the most for their money. For the office he recommends a tailored jacket and a long body-hugging skirt. Under the jacket wear one of Bailey's sexy halter tops. By day the ensemble's no nonsense. Remove the jacket in the evening and the look's positively provocative.

Just as summer really begins to sizzle Bailey dresses women in the coolest of all fabrics — linen. In beige and black plaids and checks he's created a group of separates that'll keep you cool as a cucumber.

Unlined for maximum ventilation, Bailey's jackets are simply tailored in a collarless cut or in a straight shirt silhouette. The impact is complete with a narrowly tailored skirt; skinny, pleated pants; Bailey's seductive cotton/linen khaki bustier; or a sheer cotton halter top. For more relaxed times match the jackets with his comfy and classic walking shorts.

In prints and solids, Bailey's cotton group is slick and saucy. The abstract prints from Italy and the solid cottons from Switzerland are presented in patterns inspired by the South Sea tropics and Hawaiian luaus.

Using both cotton gabardine and cotton jersey, the colors include such summertime favorites as daffodil, turquoise, green, orange, cocoa, white and plum. In the cotton group, Bailey belts his famous blazer for a classic safari look. Mix the jacket with any of Bailey's primitive prints.

Semplice for summer plays to the seductress in every woman with this dramatic white, off-the-shoulder, long-sleeved top and flowing, flared skirt in double-faced rayon/cotton jersey. Available at brooker's in Toronto.

Funky shirts from adidas hit fashion scene

With a 60-year sports heritage behind them, adidas is springboarding that sports knowhow into the world of fashion with a line of fun and funky sport-themed art shirts.

Developed by adidas' international design team and now in their second successful selling season, the vividly embossed art shirts for summer "display a creative use of design, utilizing new fabrication, panel printing, appliques and bright colors," says Karin Fry, textile merchandising coordinator for adidas (Canada) Ltd. "The shirts have proven to be just what our youthful, sports-minded consumers wanted."

Introduced originally for the fall 86 season, the spectator sporty art shirts were created "to bring a colorful and unique fashion focus to the adidas' name and products within the sporting goods market," Fry said. "Because adidas is really synonymous with sports, sport themes made sense."

The original 86 fall line premiered in five sporting themes each with their own appropriate name: Rye Town Tennis Club, Kingston Lyons (baseball), Claryville Champs (basketball), Cyclone Cycling (bicycling) and Canton Chiefs (football).

Made of heavyweight fleece with puff print, colorful sporting design themes and badges, the long sleeve casual pullover tops "were so popular that the shirts completely sold out," said Fry.

Based on the success of that fall launch, adidas has introduced four new themes for summer. Cambridge Crew Rowing, Vanguard Windsurfing, Silverado Spikers (volleyball) and U.S.A. Rugby.

In a woven cotton blend and complemented by matching short sleeve cotton Ts, "the collection of long sleeve pullovers is more visually dynamic than the original fall designs," said Fry.

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Fashion

Jewish jeweler designs for the wealthy of Rio

By
BARBARA KINGSTONE

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL —

It's late afternoon, the day before Mother's Day in Rio de Janeiro and jeweler David Zilberman's shop, Sara Joias, on the fashionable Rua Vinicius de Moraes, is jammed.

For a country with a constantly dipping currency which changes almost daily, these Brazilian women don't seem concerned. They have come to examine and buy the elegantly designed jewelry by a young man they consider the best in a city filled with major competitors like H. Stern and Amsterdam Sauer.

Zilberman's explanation about the attitude is confirmed as well as convincing. "The government may change but there's no change in the top class, the affluent of the country. They continue to spend because they always have."

And so business is booming for the 34-year-old Israeli-born designer who speaks seven languages, which helps to serve the myriad of international visitors and Cariocas who shop at Sara Joias.

Sara Zilberman (hence the name of the shop) David's mother, started the business in an unconventional way. But the story of immigrants' hardship isn't uncommon.

Self made man

His Polish-born parents and sister moved to Israel after the war where they stayed until David was 3 months old.

"The climate was really bad for my father's health," says David. They all moved to Brazil 33 years ago. Life was difficult at first and Sara started to sell jewelry door to door that her husband made.

By the time David was 18 and the family financially secure, he wanted to go into the business world. But with the insistence of his parents David instead studied pre-medicine and medicine for eight years.

"I knew it wasn't what I wanted and finally made the decision to leave university. I guess you'd call me a self-made man."

Although he now has three stores, this shop was the first and is still considered his prime shop. It's here that his clients insist on talking to him and having him help with the choice of their purchases.

Here the beautiful and rich women of Rio gather for coffee and indulge in discussions about the newest designs which David either imports from Italy (Marina B and Bulgari) or Zilberman's own creations.

"Brazil has wonderful semi-precious stones. There are aquamarines, topaz, citrines, tourmalines, amethysts but the settings are badly interpreted and the women who know trends and fashion find it difficult to get good designs.

"I realized this and here they can find both design and quality." This is really the magic of his success. He also specializes in sapphires, emeralds, diamonds and rubies.

Although Sara died a few years ago, his father and sister, Laja, work in the store. "My father is the 'finance minister,' and my sister is the best saleswoman."

Along with the dynamic team, David now employs a staff of 35 which includes the best skilled workmen.

By late afternoon the shop is still buzzing with customers, but David makes time to hug and play with his two small sons who have just arrived from school.

"They work here on the weekends," he laughs, since the children are 5 and 3 years old. The family eventually got their doctor. David's wife is a full-time practicing dermatologist.

"We make time for some activities. We both enjoy the traditions of the Jewish holidays. There are disadvantages in this country, but if you can afford it, it's a wonderful life."

For the Zilberman family that includes a driver for the children, another for clients, four full-time security guards who keep watch outside the shop and a cook and staff at home.

With the need for all these precautions, the natural question is where do these safety-conscious women who buy gems, wear them. Certainly not on the streets of Rio.

"But all my clients have drivers. They meet for lunches and dress up. They are very social and it's easy for them to entertain often in their homes. They travel and they are also very sophisticated. Besides, is there a woman who doesn't love jewelry? Don't worry, they find many places to wear their baubles."

So successful has Sara Joias become that clients include well-known names from Europe and New York.

For anyone who is in the market for bijoux and happens to be going to Rio, since Canadian Airlines International now flies directly non-stop from Toronto, see David.

Prices are a lot less expensive, stones are top quality and besides, David serves the best coffee in town while you browse.

Toronto hair salon, Hair One, creates a Corvette summer demonstrating haircuts moving towards longer hair, less layering and perms given to create soft waves rather than volume and tight curls.

Hair styles bright, breezy

Summer fashions this year are bright and breezy. And women want a no-nonsense hair cut to go along with their lifestyle.

Whether you are sunning on the beach or letting the wind blow through your hair with the car top down, Hair One of Toronto has fashioned a haircut to look good wherever you go.

Hair styles this summer, according to Hair One, are moving towards a longer length, and blonde is popular once again as a summer shade. Hair One designers created this shoulder length hair cut.

"We are moving away from layering the hair so that a woman can have the utmost versatility — whether she wants to simply wash and wear and go, or she adds a touch of glamour with the hair pulled up and held by some of the fabulous combs available on the market today," says Daniel Fiorio.

The front section is a long, heavy asymmetrical bang over the one side of the face influenced by the renewed interest in the glamour hairstyles of the 1930s and 40s.

The technicians that worked on Linda's hair (as seen in photo), went for sunstreaked highlights that seemed in perfect sync with Linda's attitude of being young, carefree and outdoorsy.

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Cycling trip takes you through Vermont countryside

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

WOODSTOCK, Vt. —

Suddenly, biking is in fashion, like aerobics and jogging.

Not too long ago, cycling was supposedly for kids and eccentrics.

Mercifully, attitudes have changed.

Today, in this health-conscious era, cycling has become one of the fastest growing recreational activities in North America.

Bob McElwain is faintly amused but immensely pleased by the turnabout. McElwain, proprietor of Bike Vermont, the oldest bicycle touring company specializing in Vermont, has been organizing such tours for more than a decade.

Bike Vermont cycling tours give a rider contact with nature.

Lately, business has increased tremendously, no doubt due to the fact that more and more travelers, particularly in the Montreal and Toronto areas, are discovering the unbounded joys of a bicycle vacation.

Bike Vermont (PO Box 207, Woodstock, Vt. 05091. (Tel: (802) 457-3553) offers weekend and 5-day tours to many parts of this bucolic state.

They got under way in early May and end in late October, appealing to a wide range of tourists, he says. "An average tour will probably have what we call a happy mix of singles, couples and families. Most riders are between 25 and 55, but we have had bikers from 7 to 76."

On a Bike Vermont trip, you don't cycle as a group, but individually, "so no one is ever holding anyone else up."

No more than 20 riders are on each tour, led by two experienced guides. A support van, carrying luggage and spare parts, accompanies every tour.

Easy to moderate biking is the order of the day, with riders cycling from about 10 to 45 miles a day, McElwain explains.

Small groups enable cyclists to use intimate country inns, some of which have been cited in Gourmet Magazine.

Most riding is done on quiet backwoods roads, far from the maddening din and noxious fumes of traffic. No tour goes into the mountains, though cyclists should be prepared to negotiate hills.

Tours give a rider a glimpse of the fabled Vermont countryside — covered bridges, historic New England villages, pastoral farms, antique and craft shops, museums, waterfalls, rivers, lakes and streams.

Vermont's unspoiled rural beauty is constantly on display.

Weekend tours begin with dinner on Friday evening, during which a route is plotted. A group often divides into two or three smaller groups for a day's riding.

Midweek 5-day tours start with dinner on Sunday and finish the following Friday. On these tours, a different inn is visited each night.

Riders can rent lightweight 12-speed Univegas that come equipped with a front handlebar bag, padded handlebars, rear carrier, water bottle and warning flag.

Rental cost is $25 for weekends and $70 for midweek tours.

Weekend tours run from $170 to $190, while midweek tours range from $455 to $495.

Breakfasts, dinners, lodging and all taxes and tips are included in the price.

Rabbi praises Akiva Tours

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

Spiritual leader Rabbi Moshe Stern told a Shaarei Tefillah audience here that Akiva Tours provides "the kind of experience every religious Jew visiting Israel owes himself."

Stern and several travel agents and Akiva Tours and El Al Airlines officials participated in a festive community Israel travelogue here, describing Akiva services for observant travelers to Israel.

Akiva Tours, based in Bnei Brak, outside of Tel Aviv, makes arrangements in conjunction with El Al flights to and from Israel.

Stern, who took an Akiva tour last summer, said: "Now when my children study Torah, the places mentioned in the Bible will come alive for them."

He waxed enthusiastic about: their tour guide — a Viznitzur chassid — the strictly kosher lunches, and the chance to recite Psalms over the ancient tombs of talmudic scholars.

Stern recommended flying El Al, "not only is it the only airline in the world that doesn't fly on Shabbes and Yom Tov, but when you step on board, it is already like being home."

Yaakov Dovev, vice-president of El Al, referred to "a new spirit in observant Jews. They want to see Israel with its beauty, science and technology, and also with its yeshivas."

Akiva Tours representative Shmuel Appel told the audience of about 150 people that his guides are well versed in religious matters, and are fluent in English, Hebrew, and Yiddish. He said his company was willing to arrange special family events like bar mitzvahs and weddings.

Greetings were also brought by Avraham Drori, manager of Toronto's Israel Government Tourist Office, and from Nachum Kara, Toronto El Al office manager. Shlomo Shlisel of Akiva Tours' Israel office was also present.

The afternoon included: a musical presentation by cantors Chaim Weiner of Shaarei Tefillah and Ephraim Sapir of Beth Tikveh; a travel film from the Israeli ministry of tourism; and a sumptuous buffet luncheon.

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Travel

Toronto waterfront site for concerts

Celebrations of Dutch culture planned for Canada

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

TORONTO —
There will be an international flavor to the events along Toronto's restored and beautiful waterfront, just south of the downtown area. Included will be a festival organized in part by the government of the Netherlands, a festival with a Caribbean flavor, events of an Oriental nature, and many local attractions in Toronto Harbor.

The part Canadians played in the liberation of the Netherlands in 1945 during the Second World War is never forgotten by the Dutch. The largest celebration of Dutch culture ever held outside the Netherlands will be presented in three Canadian cities this summer, at Harbourfront in Toronto from June 5 to 14, later in June at Montreal and Ottawa.

The Toronto waterfront will be transformed with six spectacular tents for the Boulevard of Broken Dreams performances, concerts, cafes and beer gardens. Over 150 people will come from Amsterdam to create the waterfront theatre, which is an annual summer street event in Amsterdam. Musicians, actors, and dancers will come to perform in the tents and at other locations in downtown Toronto.

In the Dance Palace tent, an antique Belgian-made tent of mirrors and chandeliers, a group of singers will perform music from an era of dancing, dreaming and nostalgia, and even a rock 'n roll evening.

In the Big Tent with seating for 400 spectators, there will be theatrical productions, jazz groups, and musical comedy soap opera. The 2-storey Opera Tent with a balcony and bar, will have dance performances, theatre and chamber music.

There is a tiny tent where 60-second shows are given to audiences of less than 10 people. The Orangerie Tent features all kinds of folk and modern music, as well as poets and comics. In the Bogen Tent there will be live music as well as coffee.

The Theatre Centre will have solo shows and music-dance-theatre performances.

In addition to these attractions on the waterfront the Netherlands performers will be at the Toronto Free Theatre from May 28 to June 7 with performances of the Mexican Hound, a Netherlands Chamber Choir will perform at Roy Thomson Hall on June 12, and the Netherlands Dance Theatre will be at the Ryerson Theatre on June 13.

While many of the Dutch events are free, some have price tags from $4 to $10 at the Harbourfront.

On June 24 there will be an evening of free entertainment at Harbourfront for Quebec's St. Jean Baptiste Day, an International Jazz Festival is set for June 22 to 28, admission $12, and at the Premiere Dance Festival from June 30 to Sept. 8, performances of the 1930s style musical comedy Dames At Sea will range in price from $14 to $18.

In July the annual Summerfest starts for the month, with a fireworks display on Canada Day and non-stop entertainment by top bands. The Great Caribbean Jump Up and Beach Party is July 4 and 5 including fashion shows, roller skating and bodybuilding demonstrations.

The National Rib Cook-Off is July 11 and 12, there will be music and hospitality July 18 and 19 at the Great Down East Coast Traditions event, and an annual Craft Fair with music is scheduled for July 24 to 26.

During August Theatresports Festival has high speed improvisational comedy workshops on Tuesdays at 7.30 p.m., and performance competitions on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. with tickets $5 at the door.

There will be Literary Readings every Tuesday during August at Harbourfront and if you want to join, call 364-7127. A Kung Fu Show is slated for Aug. 22 and 23 with two martial arts demonstrations, no admission charge.

Besides these activities there are watersports, boat tours, shopping in various buildings, a new art gallery in a former power house, all kinds of eateries, waterfront walks or you can just sit in the sun to see the water activities and the light planes taking off and landing at the Island Airport.

Kids get break in Jamaica

OCHO RIOS, Jamaica —
Boscabel Beach, the newest member of the SuperClubs family of all-inclusive resorts in Jamaica, has announced that children up to the age of 14 can stay with the family free of charge.

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Skywalker service from Island airport operates daily flights

TORONTO —

General Aerospace's Skywalker service between Toronto Island Airport and Rochester Monroe-County Airport is now operational with four flights offered every business day and weekend service involving one flight each way per day.

Flights are 40 minutes in duration with an introductory airfare of $30 one way.

The Skywalker service that has been operational for the past 13 months between Toronto Island Airport and Buffalo has provided over 30,000 travelers with a gateway to the discount fares offered by U.S. carriers, the airline says.

As a result of deregulation in the United States airline industry, airfares within the continental U.S. have been drastically cut.

General Aerospace points out that Pan Am currently offers a commuter service to JFK in New York at $29 (U.S.) from Rochester, and the New York To Buffalo route is priced as low as $29 (U.S.).

The Skywalker service is currently using a DeHavilland Twin Otter aircraft, with a maximum capacity of 17 passengers. Skywalker is providing the first Canadian service between downtown Toronto and Rochester.

Metro Zoo honors security guard

TORONTO —

A security guard at the Metropolitan Toronto Zoo was recently named Metro Toronto's 11th ambassador of hospitality as part of National Tourism Week.

Art Policarpio was chosen from 12 monthly hospitality award winners in 1986 as Toronto's ambassador of hospitality for 1987.

The monthly hospitality award, sponsored by Key to Toronto Magazine, is presented to people in the tourism/service industry. Each monthly winner is presented with a silver medal and is eligible for the yearly award.

Policarpio, who won the monthly award in September 1986, helped a New York couple who had a leaking radiator hose and a car overheated from loss of water.

As winner, Policarpio was presented with a chain of office, an engraved silver tray, a vacation trip for two and $200 spending money.

Also nominated was Morris Shapiro, an employee with Kumar for Men at the Sheraton Centre.

Floating casino makes first cruise

EILAT (JTA) —

The Royal Princess, Israel's first floating gambling casino, sailed from Eilat last week on its inaugural cruise along the Sinai beaches.

The converted yacht, which will make daily cruises, is the response of Eilat Mayor Rafi Hochman and local entrepreneurs to Knesset foot-dragging on a bill to legalize casinos for tourists in the Red Sea resort town.

Because gambling is outlawed in Israel, the gaming tables aboard the Royal Princess were unveiled only after the vessel entered international waters. Israelis had to present valid passports and exit permits in order to board. Foreign tourists were required to fill out the standard entry-exit forms used at airports and border crossings.

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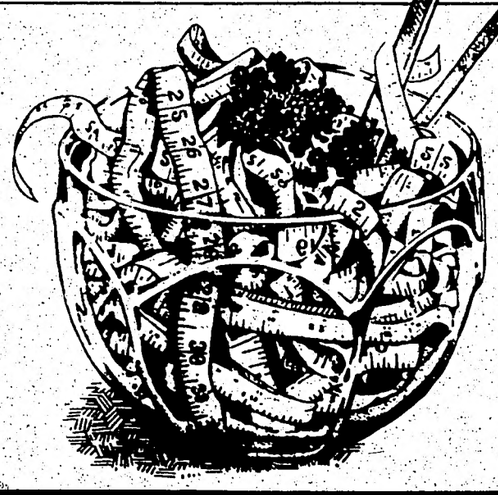
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Travel

Traveler praises kosher meals on British Airways

By
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It is rather reassuring in these hurried times that travelers today have dietary alternatives.

There are alternatives that many aren't aware are available.

British Airways, which travels to Israel four times a week, offers such choices.

For those who keep kosher it's invaluable to know how concerned airlines like British Airways are to attend to their traveler's needs.

On a recent trip to Israel, I requested that all my meals for the trip, London to Tel Aviv and return, be kosher.

Firstly, I was pleasantly surprised with the consideration of the air hostesses to make sure they were adhering to the necessary customs.

Securely sealed see-through plastic covered trays were always presented for my inspection. If it was a hot meal which was being served, I was asked whether I wanted assistance unwrapping the securely double wrapped tinfoil covering. I eventually gave way and had them unwrap the steaming hot dish in the kitchen.

The Toronto-to-London trips are catered by Cara Kitchens in Toronto which has a kosher food division, closely scrutinized and supervised. From London to Tel Aviv, El Al at London's Heathrow Airport caters the food.

It should be noted that both the crockery and cutlery are always new and unused. Another note attached to each tray for the hostess' information is for the preparation of the hot meals. The directions say that trays be placed on the upper shelf and heated before placing any of the other food in the ovens.

Each tray from London to Tel Aviv comes with a certificate of kashruth stating that it is prepared under the supervision of the London Beth Din and Kashruth Commission with the constant supervision of a permanent mashgiach.

The meals were delicious. Menus vary from flight to flight. My breakfast included cheese blintzes topped with almonds and raisins accompanied with orange juice, rolls and coffee served with kosher milk powder.

Other menus include spinach crepe, parsley omelette and come with croissants, finger cheese and tinned fruit salad.

On the longer trips across the Atlantic I was pleasantly surprised that I was given the choice of poached or smoked salmon. These were both presented fully covered for me to view and make my decision. I chose the smoked salmon which had an abundance of cream cheese and fresh vegetables.

On another lap of the trip I decided to try a meat dish. The duck was tender and plentiful (I actually had the attendant take some away.) Here, too, were vegetables — peas, carrots and baby potatoes.

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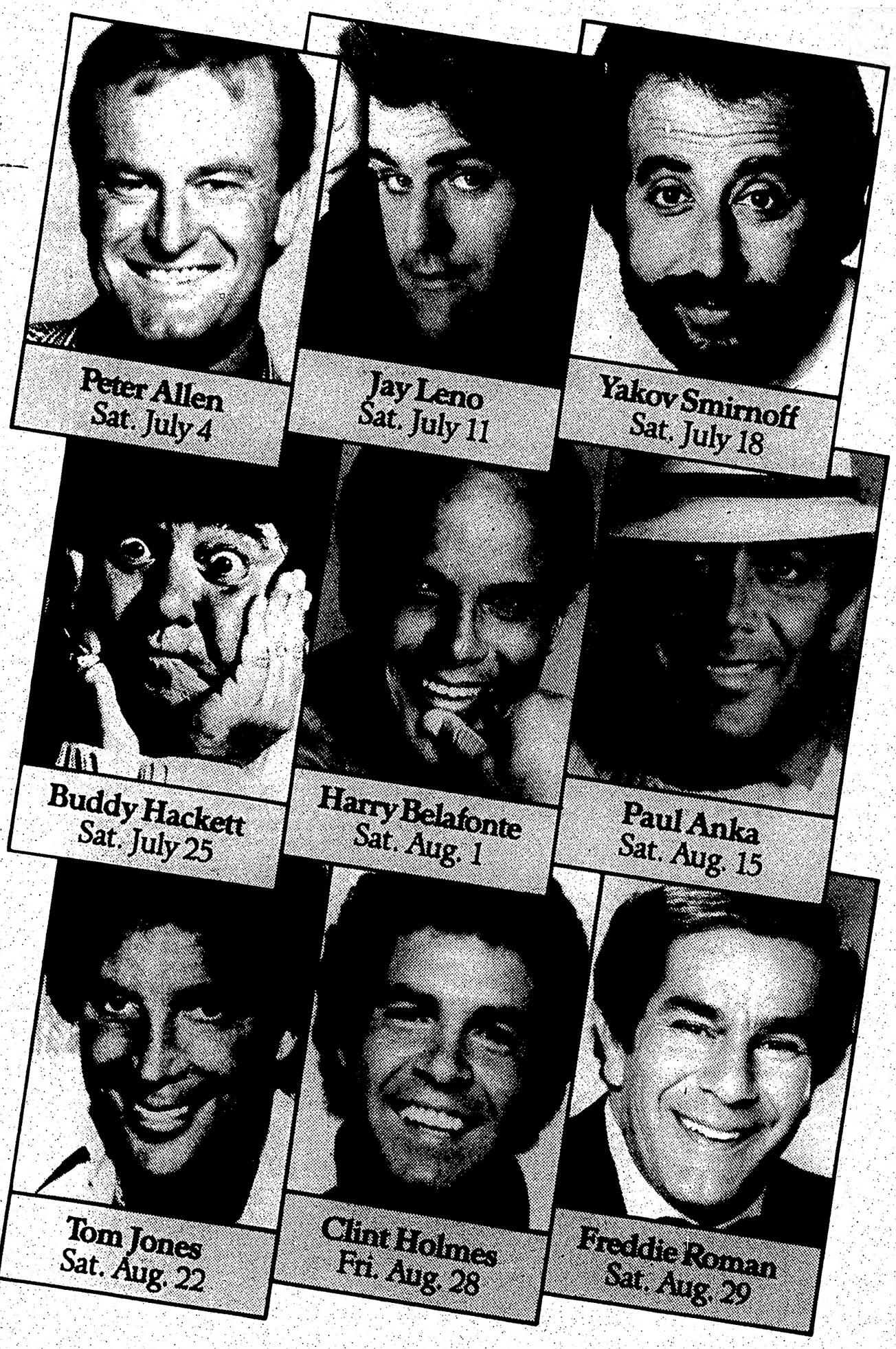

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Classic Georgian design. Centre hall. Dark stained floors. Eat-in kitchen. Wonderful library with built-ins and fireplace. 5 bdrms. C.A.C. Dble garage. Deep lot. $799,000 Eleanor Wagman 488-2875.

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In the heart of North York. Steps to Yonge St. & subway, income property for the right buyer. Michael Spagat, 886-1200.

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$183,900 Cosy Updated 3 Bdrm. Starter with Plush Bdlm., Good Cupboard Space & Eat-In Kitchen, Fin. Bsmt., Call for More Details, Warren Cooper 221-5515.

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$529,000 Beautiful 4+ bdrm. home on 60 x 200' lot, skylight, new oak floors, indoor pool, sauna, finished bsmt., 2 car garage. Rhonda Snaper 881-9131/638-8223.

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Reduced!! $519,000 4 bdrm., eat-in kit., powder, den, ensuite, finished lower, att. gar., make your dream come true, vendor might hold mtg., lot 50 x 146. Make an offer. S. Banack 783-3333.

BAYVIEW VILLAGE
3 bdrm. bung., best value in the area. Move in cond., quiet cres.: Bathurst/Wilson, spacious 3 bdrm. bung., central air, eat-in kit., $229,000: Skymark II, 1+ condo, large sol. + open balcony. $154,900. Laura Barnett 494-6888/491-1444.

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$264,900 60 x 130' lot, 2 storey, 4 bdrm., newer kitchen and rec. rm. Owner has bought. Judi Gottlieb 494-6888.

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Great opportunity! A warm, traditional much-loved 5 bdrm., 2 storey centre hall, ravine view lot, Bella Beer, 731-7111.

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Lovely landscaped 3 bdrm., feat. lg. principle rms., eat-in kitch., hdwd. flrs., close to all conveniences. Gerry/Becky Wener, 731-7111.

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Walk to shul. Upgraded 2 storey. 3 bdrm., magnificent white kitchen, in-law bsmnt. apt., won't last! Evelyn Pollock, 731-7111.

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2 storey, 4 bdrm., spacious mn. flr. fam. rm., firepl., new kitch., super lot. Robert Samery, 731-7111.

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Fabulous + spacious 4-bdrm., fin. bsmnt, fireplace, 2 car pkg., appls., air, more! Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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Spacious backsplit on super lot, lovely garden, near schools, synagogues, shopping. Vendor financing! Bella Beer, 731-7111.

SPRING FARM — 3,000 SQ. FT.
A showpiece, designer white kitch., white ceramics, grey tone carpets, upgraded, extras. Robin Korman/ Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES JUST LISTED!
Spacious 3 bdrm., master retreat, mn. flr. fam. rm., firepl., lg. eat-in kitch., dble. gar. Paul Schmidt, 731-7111.

BATHURST-CLARK — $269,900
Fabulous "Wellington," upgraded with class! Huge fam. rm., Hollywood kitch., extras galore! Beckey Wener, 731-7111.

***BATHURST-CHABAD GATE $239,900**
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***YONGE-STEELES CONDO**
3 bdrm, 2 baths, window in kitchen. Central air. June poss. Must be sold Shelly Halpern 226-9770.

***LOWER FOREST HILL VILLAGE**
New listing. $695,000 4 bdrm, main floor family room. Appliances. Fireplace. In-law suite. Dble garage. Shelly Teichberg 226-9770.

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***JUST LISTED**
3 bdrm, double garage, large family room with fireplace. Spacious kitchen with wall-to-wall cupboards. Location plus!! $259,900 Elizabeth Schwartz.

***PROMENADE TOWERS**
2 bdrm, 2 washrooms, sunden. Spacious suite with southern exposure. Won't last $204,900. Maxine Roness.

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***BATHURST & FINCH**

***FREEHOLD 3 BEDROOM TOWNHOME**
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***STEPS TO NORTH "Y"**
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2 bdrm, 2 baths, solarium, appliances. Overlooks park. Priced to sell $184,900 / Evelyn Farber

***FINCH & KEELE**
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***BATHURST & SHEPPARD**
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Immediate possession Large backsplit semi. Newly decorated. Move-in condition. Call Syd Snell

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DETACHED IN NORTH YORK $211,900
4 bdrms; 3 baths, finished basement, separate entrance, family size kitchen, 4 years new. Gregori Dubrovsky 736-1100.

BATHURST-STEELES TOWNHOME $179,900
Value! 3 storey, 3 bdrms, master ensuite, family rm + fireplace, 21' living rm + walk out. Maxine Povering 736-1100.

BATHURST-CENTRE "CONDO" $176,900
Lowest price! 2 bdrm, 2 full baths, 2 parking spaces, upgraded kitchen, Florida ceiling. Betty Goldkind 736-1100.

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YONGE-STEELES — 2 CONDOS
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Great home! Super location! 3 bdrms, 2 baths. Attached garage. Don't miss! C. Nightingale/S. Bobkin 441-2888.

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Start off at Bayview/York Mills with this prestigious 2 bdrm townhome. $229,000 Caron Nightingale 441-2888.

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Spotless doll house on great street. Lovely bsmt apt. Vendor bought. Hurry! H. Feher 441-2888.

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Greenlane 3,600' on ravine. Family room, den, garden kitchen. Fin bsmt. Extras galore! Exquisite decor. E. Goldstein 441-2888.

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2 bdrm, family room, solarium, 2 baths. Modern kitchen. 2 parking spots. Upgraded! E. Goldstein 441-2888.

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$775,000. Gracious family home on quiet prestigious street. Classic Georgian. Panelled oak library + 5 bdrms on second floor. Magnificent Burled walnut panelling in front reception hall. Value plus! Toby Farb/Zoe Margolis 488-4488.

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ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Apartment or Townhouse 2 bedroom, kitchen, dining room, area Sheppard and Bathurst or Finch or Eglinton. Mature couple with one teenage girl. Phone collect 1-506-847-5094.

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Responsible Senior couple seeks 2 bedroom in Forest Hills Condo, or Promenade area. For long term rental. 665-3909.

3-bedroom apartment/townhouse wanted to rent, Bathurst between Finch & Steeles. 225-8246.

Two Kosher females, non-smokers, looking for 2 to 3 bedroom apartment for September. 963-8478.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

de Castro - Morris - Al & Mimi take pleasure in announcing the engagement of their daughter Cindy to Stephen son of Collin & Bertha. A fall wedding is planned.

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Furnished 1 bedroom apartment Bathurst/Lawrence area. Walk to buses, synagogues. Call 783-8448.

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Bath-Steeles - 2 bd. $1,300
Torresdale - 1 bd. $995
Bath-Steeles - 2 bd. $1,450
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Yonge-Finch - 1 bd. $1,195
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- **Hemispheres I - 2 bd.**
- **135 Antibes, 2 bd. + den**
- **Hemispheres II - 2 bd.**
- **7601 Bathurst - 2 bd.**
- **7420 Bathurst - 2 bd.**

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- **Pavilion - 2 bd. S. View**
- **Madison - 2 bd. W. View**

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1 bd., lux. apt., lower flr. George Baron Rltr. 665-3044.

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150 Neptune Drive Privatre Sale - Luxury condo, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 balconies, laundry and storage rooms, ensuite. Lower floor, Shabbat elevator. Many extras. 785-5052.

CONDOMINIUMS FOR SALE

Glencairn Subway 155 Marlee - 3 bedroom, new kitchen, upgraded broadloom, $1,000 spent on improvements, sabbath elevators. D. Abraham 783-3333.

Bathurst - Antibes 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 3 appliances, airconditioning, sabbath elevators. Great 2nd floor view. August closing. $157,900. 221-6898 evenings

Glencairn subway 155 Marlee - 2 bedroom, indoor pool, laundry ensuite. $149,000. D. Abraham 783-3333.

Courtland - outstanding luxury 2 bedroom, 2 baths, solarium, appliances, extra storage + parking. 1st time offered. Won't last. No Agents! 667-1558.

Promenade - Plush New 2 bdrm, 1,256 sq. ft. For a good deal call now! 493-5535.

Hemispheres I
133 Torresdale - luxury 2 bedroom condo, Florida room, 1½ baths, appliances, parking. Private. 781-4140.

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DOMESTIC HELP WANTED

Companion for Senior Citizen, 9:00-5:00 or live-in, beautiful apartment. Nights & weekends free. Bathurst/St. Clair area. 636-9100, 638-2318.

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Davis, Abraham on May 18, 1987, late of 535 Sheppard Ave. W.

Frischberg, Mayer on May 10, 1987, late of 135 Antibes Dr.

Garber, Ilya on May 6, 1987, late of 25 Cedarcroft Blvd.

Goodfield, Jack on May 16, 1987, late of 28 Cavotti Cres.

Greenspan, Gitel on May 8, 1987, late of 3894 Bathurst St.

Gula, Ida on May 17, 1987, late of 15 Shallmar Blvd.

Leviten, Louis on May 15, 1987, late of 133 Torresdale Ave.

Mandel, Rose on May 5, 1987, late of 3000 Bathurst St.

Opolsky, Nathan on May 9, 1987, late of 3981 Bathurst St.

Pasternack, Morris on May 12, 1987, late of 37 Westdale Dr.

Rose, John (Sonny) on May 4, 1987, late of 395 Brooke Ave.

Shaknovich, Sam on May 5, 1987, late of Chicago, Ill.

Shore, Bertha on May 8, 1987, late of 35 Laureleaf Ave.

Wintrob, Phillip on May 18, 1987, late of 2 Shelborne Ave.

Zimmerman, Edward on May 16, 1987, late of 22 Shallmar Blvd.

Zwaigenbaum, Ben on May 9, 1987, late of North York Seniors Centre.

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Esther Cohen on May 7/87, late of Oak Ridge Villa.

Stella Bergstein on May 8/87, late of 22 Shallmar Blvd., #709.

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Jozsef Lebovits on May 9/87, late of 27 Paxtonia Blvd.

Ita Burashko on May 10/87, late of 12 Goldfinch Ct., #211.

Jennie Seigel on May 10/87, late of 55 Ameer Ave., #303.

Louis Robins on May 10/87, late of 2900 Bathurst St., #1402.

Ida Rosenbes on May 10/87, late of 3560 Bathurst St.

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UNVEILING

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Annie Price** will take place on Sunday, May 31, 2:00 p.m. at Bathurst Lawn Cemetery, Adath Shalom Section. Relatives and friends are welcome.

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Adele Moscoe** will take place on Sunday, May 31, at 11:00 a.m. at Bathurst Lawn Cemetery, Beth Emeth Section.

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Harry Casse** will take place on Sunday, May 31, 1987, 2:00 p.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park Cemetery, Shaarei Shomayim Section.

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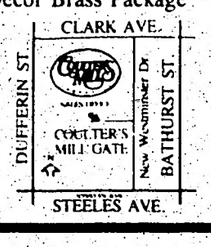

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The guide is described by its publishers as a complete sourcebook of new and resale condo suites in Toronto and surrounding communities. It is scheduled for newsstand release on June 15 at $7.95.

Facts about suite types, prices and amenities, are presented along with photographs of each building. Condo projects will be listed by neighborhood, with a special neighborhood profile introduction.

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Business Outlook

To meet a "ravenous" demand

School trains legal secretaries

TORONTO —

The market for legal secretaries is nothing less than ravenous and to meet the demand, a recently opened business school offers a unique program in which a practicing lawyer lectures and guides students through the course.

Success Business College, run by Toronto lawyers Garry Seidenfeld and Charles Wagner, trains people with minimal typing skills for a career that provides both a challenge and high potential earnings.

"High school graduates looking for a promising career or people wishing to upgrade their skills and value in the marketplace, will be especially interested," says Charles Wagner, a lawyer and associate dean of the school.

Courses in the 20-week program stress the practical, day-to-day aspects of being a legal secretary in an actual office environment, the school says.

The courses, taught by a lawyer and legal secretary, are designed to make the student familiar with the legal terminology, forms and documents used in the modern law office.

The class sizes are kept small to provide personal attention and are half-day only allowing students to maintain part-time employment.

Success Business College's dean and founder is Garry Seidenfeld, who is a graduate of Ner Israel College, University of Toronto (BA) and the Faculty of Law of the University of Windsor. Seidenfeld is active in the Jewish community and contributes much of his time to Jewish youth groups and organizations.

Prior to opening his own practice, Seidenfeld, who designed the school's program, practiced law at the law firm of McDonald and Hayden.

Wagner is a graduate of the Comunity Hebrew Academy of Toronto, the University of Toronto (BA) and the Faculty of Law of the University of Windsor.

He has been active in the Jewish Student movement and his article, "The Passing of Legislation Allowing for Trial of Those Accused of War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity" was favorably referred to in the report of the Deschenes Commission.

In addition to his role at the college, Wagner continues to practice law as counsel to the law office of Harvey Freedman.

Sharon Wilkinson, the educational coordinator, is an experienced legal secretary who has worked for several law firms in Toronto.

Success Business College, located at 20 Eglinton Ave. E., is registered with the Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities under the Private Vocational Schools Act.

Call 487-6493 for further information.

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A festive official grand opening celebration is planned by the Spring Farm Marketplace Thursday, May 28, to Saturday, May 30.

The event will feature free balloons, popcorn, gifts, a lucky draw and clowns. As well, Mr. Peanut and the Hostess Munchie will be on hand to greet the children.

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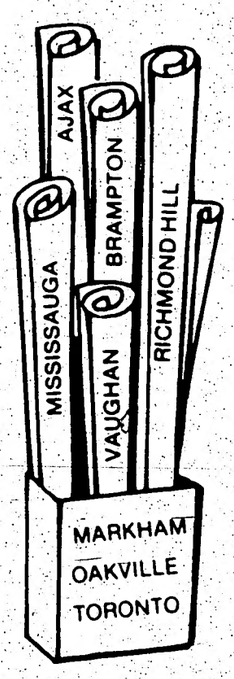

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